

2:1

CLARK, JOSEPH

TO GEORGE

1861 - 1872

72/204
C

Virginia City Feb 10th 1861

Dear George

Yours of the 15th Dec was recd I was truly glad to hear from you, and heard more from your letter about the country than I have heard since I left home - I will now try and give you a brief and accurate account of what has been going on since you left. I believe you are posted as regards to the result of the Savage suit - we lost the suit & we will gain it in the end, anyway I don't believe the ground the Simpson Claim will ever touch the Comstock lead and there may not be any more trouble about it. I arrive at this ^{conclusion} from the fact that as the Gould & Henry Comstock tunnel runs south the lead bears down the hill or East. The tunnel is now within 170 feet of Savage line in "Old" lead will be in this tunnel -

Ophir - This Claim is badly they are taking out a deal of fine ore, and erecting large works for working ore at Washoe Valley which will be completed in April or May. This stock is ^{estimated} 8000 Mexican - This Company are at work reducing their ore on the ground I think making a poor fist of it, they are quarreling among themselves all the time none of this stock in market - Central - This Co have their mill completed and have adopted the "beach process" which is working very satisfactory, though they are not getting very rich rock, this stock has been as high as 2000¢ since you left but it now stands about 800¢ to 1000¢. California - This Claim has changed hands since you left, it is now in the hands of Bolton & others. They are not working it yet - Rinny - The same as when you left - White & Murphy - They have found splendid ore in this Claim but not much of it yet as the water above them has run a drain tunnel - worth 350¢ Dick Sides - This Co contracted for a tunnel 1400 feet long which will be about 40 feet lower on the lead than any yet run, for this Claim it is to be run for 4000 feet, nothing has been struck on this Claim yet as not much has been done on it it worth from 200¢ to 220¢ in best

Best Belcher - This Co is running a fine tunnel and getting along fast - will be in during the spring, worth about as much as Sides - Gould & Henry - Nothing of consequence has been done on this Claim for about two months, it is well opened for 200 and odd feet deep looks well nothing very rich particularly in large quantities, some small streaks of very rich ore, there is a very large quantity of from 100¢ to 500¢ ore in sight. The formation in the bottom of the works ~~looks~~ better than any I have seen, I don't believe they are deep enough for the good ore, though we have found some fine ore, and native silver in the lower works. The contract with Ogden & Willson was a complete failure they did not build a respectable mill for 52 - and could not have saved 20 dollar prices. The Company have made a new contract with them, O & W are to adopt the "Smith & Dewey process" which is now all the go. I don't think of the arrangement I think it will go up as the other did. I don't know the terms, I think Willson a gut of the first water - I don't know when they will commence work - The stock has ~~been~~ been shaking up and down ever since you left from 280¢ to 400¢ it worth now in the market 300¢ to 320¢ the Bears have the market in San Francisco of all the stocks at present - Savage - we all have great confidence in this Claim for reasons given before, that is all we know more than when you left none of this stock in the market - Noratop & Hale - nothing has been found on this Claim since you left that would ^{make} any one think those or less of it if Savage is good Noratop will likely be, it is down pretty low - Chalkers - There has been a devilish lot of work done on this Claim, I think to a bad advantage nothing good found ~~on it~~ yet the stock is low so low that nobody wants to sell, and nobody cares about buying

Miller - The prospects on this claim now looks flatting, we have a tunnel in about 600 - but I was in yesterday it looks although we were close to the ledge I would not be surprised if we found it good in twenty four hours though it may be miserably thin. The stock is about 30¢ per yard up a little. Yellow Jacket we have a large vein in this claim of pretty good ore say about 50 to 150 to the ton by assay just struck it not worked my outfit yet looks like gold hill I think it a good claim. Of Louis - I have had trouble enough with this claim - we struck a good vein in our tunnel from the ledge just below the big Cropper's the veins are jumping mostly with Lenny at the head got on over is on the Cropper's with their legal sometime ports guns pistols or the Cornsby, (I mean the others) has been organized since you left I could not be rather Superintendent or director but since the trouble commenced I should get to be both if wished I guess have had to shoulder a big share of the trouble, and it is not infrequently come to go down to the Of Louis that I have punches and shot guns pointed at me, nearly so I know how soon I will have the top of my head shot off. I will stay by to the end - you agree this claim in law I don't know what will be the result as we are in a sort about Court the judges on the bench are in impositions before Chadbourne they are trying to dissolve it before it is decided if it is dissolved then will undoubtedly be a collection of some money in a few we have a ready thing on another claim if the Court jump to it attend this claim well for 50¢ per foot before it got in law nobody wants to buy now

Flourish District - This district is almost gone up nothing in it now that you could sell for anything I got rid of the most we had, but got a little profit - Monte Cristo nothing doing off much Conquistador - an upward all out side doing like Monte much dead, Esmeralda, but - This is a new dist discovered by Brady Perry and others in the Walker river country I think of a good one I have spent a month there last fall it is going to be a really heap I think Mr Lent and I shipped 100 feet in the main district claim I have a lot of but little Clark's claim also - will be a big pulp in this spring to the place It is impossible to sell any thing on the line side or within - we have had a much better winter than last season only snow once at this place Virginia - This place has a wonderful amount of you left - General contractors to the whole country has improved town all the way from Virginia to Silver City with Quartz Mills till you can not find I think they will have to move to the west to find Charley Strong - Charley is well has a brace on his leg with about half a dozen women on him - I wish - Mr Lent is well at last expects to write me every mail and to him he telegraphs me to write you to come home immediately you had perhaps better go south. I think you can leave - your mother - I think I can hardly tell you I don't drink any more of Strong's liquor since you were for a long time badly drunk - I have been sick for two weeks but you will now. Lake and family are well

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the matter of the
 same, and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration.
 I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Yours, &c.
 J. M. Smith

[The image shows a page of handwritten text, likely a letter or a journal entry, written in cursive. The text is heavily obscured by dark, irregular ink smudges and blotches, making it largely illegible. The handwriting is dense and fills the page, with some words and phrases visible through the noise. The overall appearance is that of a heavily damaged or heavily inked document.]

will have my calculations again as I was in hopes of being able to get a few inches before it went up. all of our investments are a dead letter thus far whether anything will ever be realized from them or not. "Go no say". The ice has melted a damned sight faster this winter than it did in the summer. As people say is always the case in a warm winter as there has been. I expect there will be more left by the time it is wanted. George May is "around" and Joe traded off the whole much good including the Regone for lumber which they have not got yet but has in hopes. Head and wife went to San Francisco about a month ago. Head is sick but got around.

Virginia City is now an incorporated City. The power is vested in 5 trustees with almost unlimited powers. The first election was yesterday which went off very peaceably and elected. Bateman. Newton. Fusier. Shaw (not Genl) and Sater. all very good men. They are raising around now to open 15. street right through our piles of ore. I guess we will try so way to stop them from doing it.

Joe was in San Francisco at the time the St. Louis was 80. and wanted to sell all out. but Lent would not. and instead of selling bought at that price. Lent is a dead end of a fellow to hold on. Joe says that he would have had all that stock into money now if he could have had his way. There is a rich streak of Gold found on the top there which another company claim. and they have come very near having two or three fights over it. however it is in law now. Griddlebaugh now being the acknowledged Dist. Judge. I hope we shall have things a little better than when we had two Judges. The Central and Mex. mills are not doing much for their owners. The Central mine is far from being as good as was expected of it. has sold lately at 600. Poor Harry Raymond is again used up. I feel very sorry for the Cul. as my shut is full must stop. Hoping your mother will soon be well from back here soon. I am yours truly. J. P. P.

Do write a few words once in a while if nothing else but how are you or damn you or any pleasant remarks that way.

Virginia City March 12th 1861

My dear Nest.

You talk about writing letters as though you liked to hear from those you care about. and also as though that those you care about have no right to expect a word from you. Now I would willingly write twenty letters a day if I thought anyone of them would give any of my friends half as much pleasure as the one I recd from you a day or two since did me. I can tell you that it is pleasant to have your friends say something pleasant to you. which makes you feel as if there were some kindred spirits around in the world that occasionally give you a thought. Now about matters and things here. In the first place I am writing from the Gould & Curry mine. the same as at the time I last wrote you. Altho we are not doing much here now in the way of work. St. Clark and myself are quietly living here at the Gould & Curry house very comfortably and very happily together. The mine is thoroughly prospected to the depth of the lower tunnel and when the mill is ready to take the ore. I can give it to them just about as easy from the mine as to give it to them from the dump pile outside. It is now pretty open and whenever there is ore it can be dumped down the shafts to the lower tunnel and run out on the cars. and thereby save any more needless hoisting. A man about your size would lose himself pretty quick in the G & C mine as it is a very circuitous and extensive route to go all through it.

I have done but little work in the mine since I last wrote you. except to connect the works of the upper with the works of the lower tunnel. we feel very sure that there are large bodies of good metal not far beneath the level of the lower tunnel. mind you I don't say there is. but that I expect there is. consequently we shall want to get at it. I hope before another winter. So on the first of this month I surveyed a tunnel 200 feet long which will strike the ledge 224 feet above the new "lower tunnel" which will give the Gould & Curry all the drainage it will be likely to want for many years. making it over 400 feet from the surface. I wanted very much to commence this tunnel last fall. if they had allowed me to do as I wished. I should have saved the Co. considerable money. all of which I can better explain when you come home. The tunnel is now in about 200 feet and a going fast. and from this tunnel we will find out all about the Savage & Norcross and the pumps can't help themselves. The Gould & Curry stock is now low say "God. some is quoted at 1/2 but Earl writes me that it can't be had for less. the reason of its being so low is that at the rise in it last fall a lot of speculators went into it and not having money to pay had to spout it. Consequently a large no. of little lots are spouted to every shylack in the state who hawk it about and occasionally force a sale of some. which kind of proceeding will ruin any unproductive stock in the world. Lent has spouted all of yours but 30 feet which I suppose you know all about. There seems to be some anxiety as to how L. S. & Co. are going to get through with all their troubles.

mind you I say these things to you because I think it my duty and I say I had better. but also bear in mind that I do not for one moment suppose that Mr. L. has done a thing with any of your property without advising you about it. fully altho he never has said a word about it to me or me. John Earl was up here a few days ago & told us. It would be a great shame for anything to happen by which any of the stock should be sacrificed at present prices. We have been talking the matter over this evening and have made up our minds that he had better go down and see how things are. presuming of course that they are all right. as I should very much regret to have any misfortune befall our friend Mr. Lent. he has been a good and true friend to Washoe.

Everybody is now crazy on the subject of "processes" to work ore. There is a new contract made with Ogden Wilson where they bind themselves to work the ore into 15% of fine assay. and who do you think they now have here putting their works in order. None but the immortal McCullough of Alsop & Co game. They think that he is going to beat the crowd after all. There are two or three new processes in vogue. The Smith and Dewey process is exciting considerable attention and then there is a Mr. Mahler that has one which they say is going to eclipse the crowd. I hope for God's sake & a few other people that they will get settled upon something before long. The other I believe is going to try them all. Our friend Camp is all played out. His last kick was the great speculation in buying ^{minerals} of Gould & Curry. and he is now so busted that he finds pretty hard sledding for his personal expenses. If Ogden & Wilson's mill begins to give us metal as soon as they expect the G & C stock is bound to go up a pretty good way.

San Francisco
Oct 15th 1868

Dear George

Since you
left a draft come
down from Findley for
500^{fr} on Union Hill -
we did not know any-
thing much about it,
but paid it - Mr Lewis
did -

Castro came
in this morning and says
we will have about
15,000 acres in "Piedro
Blanco" - The man
was in about buying
and said you told him
if there was 15,000 -
you would take 25

per a one, and that
you would leave
word with me, or rather:
you thought you would
take \$2²⁵ I suppose
you for got it.

He wants it
bad and agreed to
wait till I wrote
to you, he had to
wait for I told him
I would not say it
was a trade. So
write me what to
do in case he calls
again which he said
he would, and for
two letters from your
wife

Yours
Jos Clark

The Election
Indiana is close
~~but the~~
claim it

Virginia City Oct 16th
1863

Dear George

Enclosed find
letter from Mr Lusk. It
seems that a ballack
has been made in the mop
lead San Francisco Dist
but it may be stopped

Yellow Jacket suit
prospecting very favorably
though times are quite warm.
Came very near having a
big row last night I
think we have got them. though
it is a rough job. Mary Ann
Clain is looking better every day
did not get your letter from
Humboldt until last night
after I wrote you yesterday
do make could not have
gone any way until the
suit is over. Telegraph
me when you leave
over

Austin Or I will do
when to look for
you, I believe there
is nothing new
turned up since you
left

AW

(first)

Virginia July 23^d 1854

My Dr Cousin George

I have just Recd
20600^{lbs} of ore from Reese River - barison
the St Louis Lead, the Amount of —
Freight - Comes to \$1,236.⁵⁰/₁₀₀ Which Asnt
I had to draw on you for -

owing to
having Bought so much Machinery
and wood, which has completely —
drained me, I could have paid the
Bill by paying 5 per Cent for the
Money, but that - wont do - I am sorry
to be Compulsd to draw on you - but
will work the Rock in a few days,
shall I send you the Bullion, or the
Coin from the Result, - you will please
Inform me fully in Reference to the
matter,

I have not Examined the ore yet
can not give you my opinion as to the
Richness, but will do so soon I will
write you full particulars as soon
as I know the Result, there are
many wanting to know all about it
but cant give out any thing from me
until you know first;

4
San Francisco, Nov 6 '88

Dear George

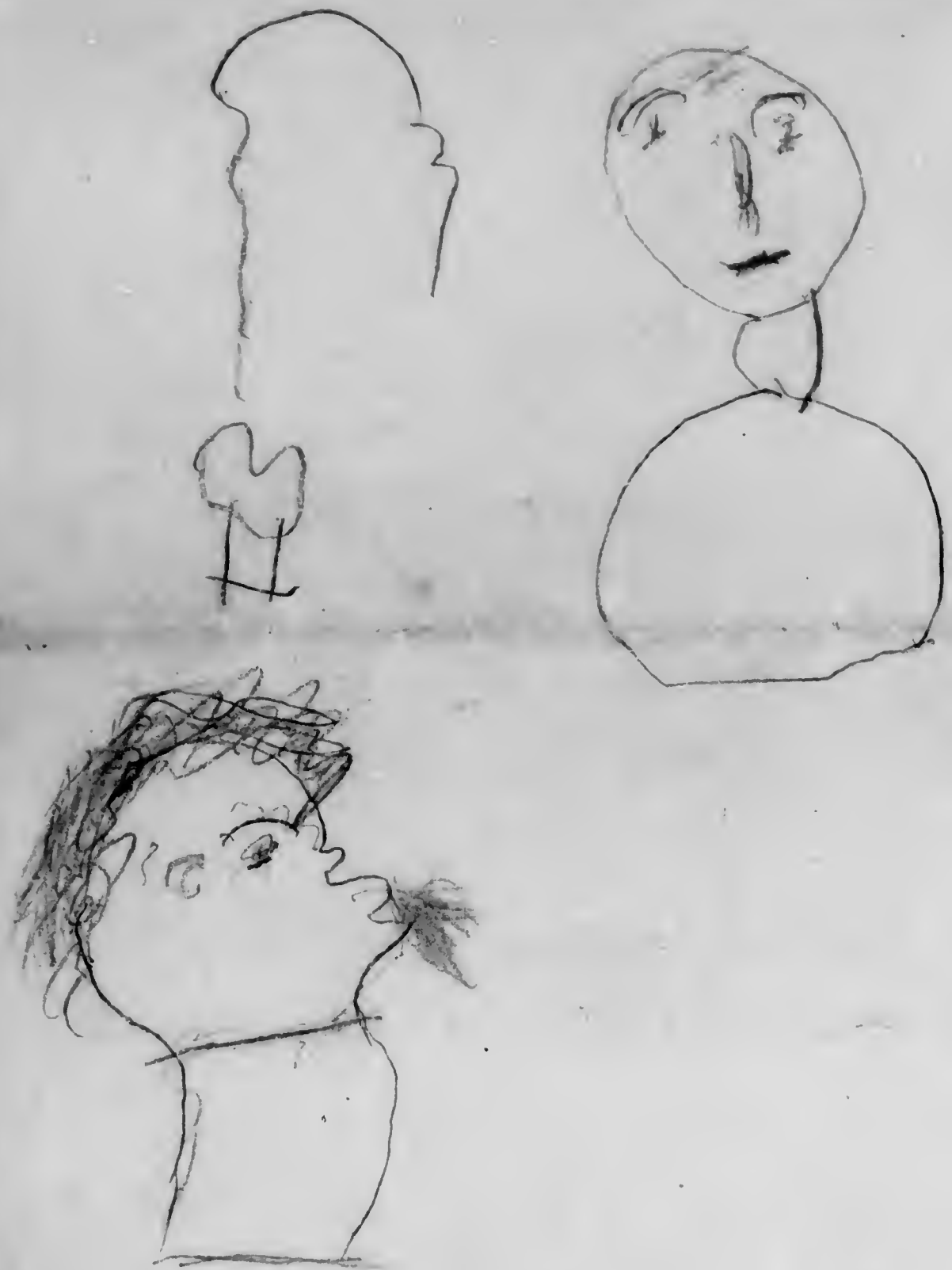
You must ~~remember~~
not forget that you was served
with the papers of Payole on
the 13 of last month, and that
23 days has passed, and that
only 17 days remain for you to answer.
I spoke to Judge Haydenfeldt about
it this morning, and he says that
you will have to answer within
that time. He said he would
put in a demurrer, so you
see what has to be done.

Grant Lull also writes up that
Payole is giving them some
trouble in regard to fencing
that he says he will stop them
etc. and it also interferes with
renting the land. Answer this letter
immediately when you get it so we
will know what to do, or come home,
everything going on smoothly.

The state election is close, though
I think the Republicans have the
state

Yours.

Joe Clark



Douglas City
Apr 14th 69

Dear George
Yours of the
10th was rec^d this
Morning. I went im-
-mediately to see the
"Hyland Chief" I learn
that considerable good
ore has been taken
from the mine, and
there is quite a lot of
fair ore now on the
dump, and from the
general appearance and
location I think it
would be a good
mine, if the "Aurora"
is of any account, but
it looks to me

like they are, or ought
to be the same mine.

Anyway the "Aurora",
have enjoined them, and
they are now stopped
from work, and are
doing nothing, so I
learned from the
men at work on
the Aurora.

If
it were not for this
you might safely re-
commend it. At the same
time I don't have
a great deal of faith
in that hill. Neither
have I seen any of the
Hyland Chief folks to
hear their story in regard
to title. I am afraid
of the title.

Yours
Jas Clark

Treasure City

Apr 23^d. 69

Dear George

I have nothing new to write, only Mossors Roberts Lusk think Hadden Treasure is a big thing, and I believe Gask and Sumner think the same way, although I have not heard them express themselves on the subject. I believe it is a good thing, and am sorry you sold, would rather you had held the H. Treasure and sold some or all of the others, but I suppose there was no sale for the others. Now if you can ~~by~~ buy back at any time do so, sell Hadden or

Independence or Black
Cloud put ~~to~~ it in H. Treasury
If you dont do it, dont say
anything about it, ~~to~~ as
perhaps if I dont invest
Leah and my Capital, we
will put it in H Treasury
if we can get it down
or keep it where it is
till Leah goes down

Roberts will probably
go down Monday dont
know whether Leah will
go then or not, but think
he will.

My love to Cousin
Phoebe and William

Yours
Geo. (Lark)

Freemans City
Apr 23^d 69

Dear George

Since I wrote you
a little while ago I have
rec^d your letter of the 21st

I don't know for certain where
the maps are but will tell

you where to look for them

Either at the Assessor's office

or the Treasurers office or Judge

Turners office or Patterson Wallie

+ Stow. If it is not about

the office I must be at one

or the other - Might enquire of

Lawrence - though I think

at the Assessor's or Treasurers

(Cap Harris & Austin). Will

answer you letter more fully

tomorrow as it is too late now.

Yours
Geo Clark

I don't know exactly where it
is but think I could find
it.

Don't you think you
had better come home?

Pujol wants to rent part of the

Ranch. Suppose you know
that the Santa Rosa has been finally
settled. The Supreme Court denied a
re-hearing. Write a fellow, Jim.

McClure

San Francisco
Oct 15th 1872

Dear George

Cousin Phil

went to San Luis Obispo
this morning. Enclosed

find notice of the
Wayne Mortgage. I
thought I had better
send it to you. I

told Haggis about it
and he said I had

5
better write you about
it. You see it will
be due on the first
November, which is
close at hand.

The new party
of Diamond hunters have
returned (Roberts party)
and seem to think they
have the biggest thing
in the world.

It is not in Arizona
or New Mexico

2:2

CLARK, JOSEPH

FROM OTHERS

1869-1872

72/204
C

R.S.
Hurrah for the Democracy
Nevada will follow Suit
next Election & Bill Steward
will have to make tracks for
China & Africa, where am told
Gorham has gone, and where all
of this kind belong R.S.

Virginia Sept. 23^d /69

Dr. Clark & Co. My Dear Friend!
I told your brother several
days ago that I thought Savage and Chollar good
stocks to buy, and to tell you so. I don't know if he
did so. but if he should not, I will give you
my own veins briefly myself. Savage was down
to 120 the day I wished you to buy, and Chollar 285 -
Both have gone up since, but I believe there is still
money in both at quotation. Barron, Hayward, Rose &
Sunderland are here, but are unable to say what they
are or intend doing. Hayward is a pretty good
judge of a mine, and ~~am~~ confident, minus the
Run-out of the Savage, he will think it cheap
at \$1000 a foot. Chollar depends a good
deal on developments in the good level, and as but very
few are allowed in the mine at present, there is a
variety of opinions about it. My own opinion
is, that in going north, they will get a fine body
of ore. but South of the shaft, I look for no
pay on this level, but deeper down they will get it
South. They are now opening the station, which they
intend to open 15 feet west, and then run drift north & ~~and~~
South parallel into the vein, where no doubt they will
cross cut the vein not far from the shaft.
Am confident in this North Cross Cut they will find at
least 4 to 6 feet of good ore. say 50 feet north of the
shaft. if so they will find much wider further

North. What will the stock go to if they get 40
feet will 45 to 50 dollar average ore at this depth.
Day 50 feet north of the shaft, with a fair prospect of a
much wider pay vein further north? They ought to be
in the vein now within 2 miles, and I look upon this to be
the most important point to watch, for if they find a good
body of ore at this depth, it will have a wonderful
effect on most all the other stocks.

Savage will get their
4th level drift in the vein also about that time, and if both
should open out good leads, it is bound to have its
effect on the market generally. My mind on the
Savage 4th level is already made up, and am of opinion
it will be good beyond doubt.

I have a man working in the Chollar
shaft, who posts me every time he comes off his shift
and shall be thoroughly posted "Quinn Lobe" —
My opinion is they will not let the office below
know what they get there, until certain parties have
operated.

I think there is big money in both Chollar
and Savage, and if good men will give good
attention occasionally.

I look for a change in Yellow
Jacket Supt. day, next month, if so, she will be good
to buy. but with the present admirable and cautious
management, I cannot see any money in it, all
depends on what Sharon & his Chispen do. The mine
has little or nothing to do with the price of the stock.
C. Point will be a big mine ere long, and I think
a good safe buy, and Kintuck take the
condition of the mine, ought to be a good buy.

The trouble is, it is under the same abominable
management as the Jacket.

Imperial is also a good
buy. They have now about 6 dividends of 10 dollars
each, in sight, and by the latter part of next month.
Bob. Graves thinks they will have the dust under way
from the Big Shaft.

I have no idea about the market.
but reckon the money power is in favor of doing most
everything down. They having sold doubtless to rebuy
at lower rates.

I have been writing to Mr. Sent
until recently, and would be pleased to write to him
now, but I have found that he & Haydenfelt wrote
something to Mr. Bonner here, which I did not
expect, and it surprised me when I heard of it.

Wish you would send me the
price of Chollar & Savage occasionally if you can —
or of C. Point & Jacket. I want it to set or
mark on your paper as we usually do, and when
there is a material & unexpected change in the price,
would be the time to get it. You would have to send
it so I could get it here day 15 minutes before the
regular report gets here, and come as near the
closing price as you can.

Myself & Billy Sell
demoralized, as we are getting disgusted with old
stock, and now have nothing desirable to lay our
hands on. We are talking of importing something
soon from Salt Lake.

Many good wishes from
True July 1874

No 1.

The Western Union Telegraph Company.

The rules of this Company require that all messages received for transmission shall be written on the message blanks of the Company, under and subject to the conditions printed thereon, which conditions have been agreed to, by the sender of the following message.

JAS. GAMBLE, General Sup't,
SAN FRANCISCO.

WILLIAM ORTON, President,
G. H. MUMFORD, Secretary, } New York.

Palisade Jan 23 1872

Received at

Eureka Jan 23 1872 11¹⁵ AM.

To Gen Hearst.

Shall I go after Coopers
interest or come to Eureka
first stage leaves here
Eleven

Robt Barton

15 Feb

PJW

Dumville Aug 14. 69

Mr Joseph Clark Sir.
The Lags call the Page Lags
is coming out and they are taking
good rock they have considerable
quantity of rock and all ready and
the Lags is worth looking after,
come up as quick as you can
Yours Truly

Hitzgen
14

2:3

HAGGIN, JAMES B.

TO GEORGE HEARST

1872 - 1881

HOMESTAKE MINE
SOUTH DAKOTA

72/204
C

San Francisco Jan'y 19. 72

Dear Aunt.

Your letter of the 15th is at hand. I have seen Gashwiler as to the mine in Arizona you telegraphed me about & he refers me to Charles Fulton who says he is offering \$5. a share & would agree to let you in. Gash says he will make up for you from the other parties an interest 1500 shares on the 1st week - I question the propriety of taking it for it will require that you repurchase the same -

Henry - I fear other parties are ahead of us. The "Page & Panaca" is said to be my & Alfred's -

my own ground & is my investment - ably upon it & is selling at 5¢ on the board - I suppose Percy and Leghtner will attend to the matter. Page & Panaca have 40000 shares.

Ordway is here & says if we will go in with him we can do it on the following terms -

He has bought out one of his partners at \$20,000. That he owns 4/5 of the Malinalco & of course other outside claims - My the Lincoln & the Union - that he has no interest in Ros claim - my Hercules - That if we will pay 1/2 of this

20000 Mr will you see
of his 4/5th - We to carry
him in any expense & that
to be reported in out of
the proceeds, if you will
go to see the main telegraph
now an order is waiting
a reply. H. D says this is a
better mine than the Her
cules

Ray & Co up to 115 - C.C.
\$25 - in haste

If you go to see the J. B. Haggie
mine keep it safe
you do to yourself say nothing about
the spring or water in the neighborhood

OFFICE OF HAGGIN & TEVIS,

No. 411½ CALIFORNIA STREET.

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

Oct 11th 1872

Dear Henry
Yesterday I rec'd a telegram from Harry Davis to the effect that if the Wm. much matter was still open he wd go and examine it, dated at Cranston, I replied for him to do so but finding, or rather being more forcibly impressed with the tightness of the money market I telegraphed him to do nothing in the matter. Last night I put up telegram to the effect that Davis wd be at Sato Lake to day & I thus replied to you to have him make the examination & I wd write you fully to day. This A.M. rec'd another telegram from Davis that he had rec'd my second despatch & was on his way down, I then immediately telegraphed him to go & make the examination if not too late, that you expect him; have rec'd no reply

OFFICE OF HAGGIN & TEVIS,

No. 411½ CALIFORNIA STREET.

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

Oct 11 1872

to this last & don't know what his movements are, I presume however that he will go to Sato Lake -

Now as to the Mine - Money is a d - d - d - eight lighter than I ever saw it before and no hope or prospect of being any better, all the big men are shamed to the utmost and the little ones too. As the market now stands it is my opinion that you could not sell a mine of \$30 per acre at \$10 for each 20. So bear this in mind, therefore unless the mine is in condition to pay with 1500 to 2000 dollars per day don't touch it, and then than nothing to do with it unless the owner will wait for say 60 or 90 days the payment of the \$300000: dollar bills to be at four months. If this don't suit them, then let them go to the devil and decline it

OFFICE OF HAGGIN & TEVIS,

No. 411½ CALIFORNIA STREET.

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL. Oct 11th 1872

absolutely. For I assure you "the game
is not with the candle"

As to Hanson he is as well up
to assist us a fifth wheel to a wagon
has written many our influence
and can't do any good

Miller is here and is to see me in
the morning about his matter I will
try to make a bargain with him

No more the Clarke stockholders
are buying probably will elect a
number of trustees

Yours truly

J B Haggin

OFFICE OF HAGGIN & TEVIS,

No. 411½ CALIFORNIA STREET.

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

Nov 9th 1872

George Hearst Esq
Sausalito Lake

Dear Sir

John Earl promised me
to have his proposition opened for
you to see his mine, I believe it
is good but don't want to buy it
without your seeing it so I have
said to stop and look at it so
you may know -

The K K has made a contract
with Taylor of the Silver Trust
to smelt 4000 tons of ore at 18¢
has not 100 tons & is a fine body
of ore, I wish you to require of
Tracy for Billings and the whole
arrangement we can make
for selling him our bullion, I am
told by Tevis that he says he can
pay more than we can get any
other way, We can perhaps at or

before the end of the month furnish
him with 20. or more tons; Have
written to Orin to draw on me
for \$3000. for his interest, if his
wishes I think we will make
some money out of this also
out of ~~Hicks~~ ^{Hicks}

Monitor looking
fine but don't start, Hope it
will be before the year

Yrs Very truly

J B Haygin

7th 8.

Adams Hilo -

I have got all
but 7500 shs, I am to our
Jamaica where we must
protect Dr. Clark. Wilkes. Great-
house & Cotton say in all
2000 shs - I will try to get
out of the bal but it is
hard to do. Don't give
any information to any
one about it, but put on
the best showing you can
Rogers brought 500 shs with

9.

be for getting information

Emilia I wrote you about
Put it up & I will go out
I think 25 is all it is
wrote on Minutes -

I have not seen Leghten
yet will try to do so and
will write you of my plans

Our nurse

Yr
J. B. A.

[In complete]

I don't care for Jarvis opinion
except to sell the mine on
I won't not touch it except to
sell on any terms - for to tell
you the truth I am sick of
mines to both I have enough
Now if Jarvis don't go my
idea is for you to go to Pouch
look into Henry & let us take
our bearings, then to Bel-
mont look into Monitor &
then to Eureka straighten
up RR settle the amt of
stock each has & see what
to do with that, taking in
your route Hamilton Mill

if possible Columbus, all
these matters are of more
importance than run over
I'm much give them atten-
tion rehash up as we go or
we can't stand it

Wright is going to quit
the Monitor & we must look
for some one to fill his
place

Yours very truly

J B Haggis

[Incomplete]

what to do in the matter but he
should be paid a proper sum

Willis wants some money
and some services rendered
for the matter of it. I
am that or I will give it to
him - as soon as Mr. Menden
starts will all come

Chas. Menden

In reply

J. B. Haggins

2:4

HAGGIN, JAMES B.

TO GEORGE HEARST
TELEGRAMS

1871-1874

HOME STAKE MINE
SOUTH DAKOTA

72/204
C

The Bank of California.
D. O. Mills President.
W. C. Ralston Cashier.

San Francisco. May 20 1869

Geo Hearst Esq.

Dear Sir,

We have
this a.m. placed to the
Credit of Mr. Hogen & Son,
\$3200. paid by De Witt
Kull & Co. of Bay View
Land purchase.

Yours &c.
A. B. Hill
Book

No. 1.

The Western Union Telegraph Company.
Pacific Division.

The rules of this Company require that all messages received for transmission, shall be written on the message blanks of the Company, under and subject to the conditions printed thereon, which conditions have been agreed to, by the sender of the following message.

WM. ORTON, President, New York.
O. H. PALMER, Secretary,

G. H. MUMFORD, General Agent, } San Francisco.
JAS. GAMBLE, General Sup't, }

Sent via Aug 22 1871
Arrived Aug 22 12 M.
Received at

To

Geo Hearst
Nischo

Have been selling -
Reports various -
go and examine
the mine and
instruct me what
to do -

I B Maggin

16pd 3²⁵

DESERET TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

This Message is received under and subject to the Rules and Regulations of the Company.

BLANK No. 1.

A. MILTON MUSSER, Supt.,
SALT LAKE CITY.

16
From San Francisco 19 1872

RECEIVED AT SALT LAKE OFFICE, NEXT DOOR TO WELLS, FARGO & CO.

To George Hearst.
Townsend Home

If you can do so come
down immediately

Mason in office
and L. B. Haggins

\$ Col 50

Connecting lines to Eastern and Western States, Europe, and
all points in Utah, including Cottonwood, and Tintic Mines,
also with Pioche, Nevada.

No. 1.

The Western Union Telegraph Company.

The rules of this Company require that all messages received for transmission, shall be written on the message blanks of the Company, under and subject to the conditions printed thereon, which conditions have been agreed to, by the sender of the following message.

JAS. GAMBLE, General Supt.,
SAN FRANCISCO.

WILLIAM ORTON, President, } New York.
G. H. MUMFORD, Secretary, }

San Francisco Feby 2 1872
Received at Eureka Feby 2 1872 3:50 P.M.

To Geo Hearst.

Sever Oaks wants me to
pay him for you fifteen
hundred dollars shall I do
it

J B Haggins
15 Feb

No. 1.

The Western Union Telegraph Company.

The rules of this Company require that all messages received for transmission, shall be written on the message blanks of the Company, under and subject to the conditions printed thereon, which conditions have been agreed to, by the sender of the following message.

JAS. GAMBLE, General Sup't.,
SAN FRANCISCO.

WILLIAM ORTON, President, } New York.
G. H. MUMFORD, Secretary, }

San Fran April 24 1872

Received at

72 3 30 p
M.

To Geo Hearst

Have paid Chambers
draft for fifteen
hundred another
for six today shall
I continue to pay
them

J. B. Haggan

23rd a. p. to K. O.

DESERET TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

This Message is received under and subject to the Rules and Regulations of the Company.

BLANK No. 1.

A. MILTON MUSSER, Supt.,

SALT LAKE CITY.

3:10 P. M.
From San Fran 14 Oct 1872

RECEIVED AT SALT LAKE OFFICE, NEXT DOOR TO WELLS, FARGO & CO.

To Geo Hearst

Famine will leave
tomorrow for Salt
Lake

J. B. Haggan
Ogd 38 x 37 K. O.

Connecting lines to Eastern and Western States, Europe, and all points in Utah, including Cottonwood, and Tintic Mines, also with Pioche, Nevada.

T.T.1.

The Central Pacific Division

OF THE

Atlantic and Pacific Telegraph Company.

The rules of this Company require that all messages received for transmission shall be written on the message blanks of the Company, under and subject to the conditions printed thereon, which conditions have been agreed to by the sender of the following message.

LELAND STANFORD, President.

F. L. VANDENBURGH, Gen'l Sup't,
San Francisco.

San Fran May 9 1873
Received at 10 45 AM 187 M.

To George Hearst
Newcastle

Please Answer by this Line.
Recd Telegram from
Travis saying must allow
promoters Ontario ten
thousand pounds cash
besides stock agreed upon
if you approve will reply
agreed to provided Capital
Stock is one hundred and
twenty thousand Pounds
answer

B Haggini
D H

T.T.1.

The Central Pacific Division

OF THE

Atlantic and Pacific Telegraph Company.

The rules of this Company require that all messages received for transmission shall be written on the message blanks of the Company, under and subject to the conditions printed thereon, which conditions have been agreed to by the sender of the following message.

LELAND STANFORD, President.

F. L. VANDENBURGH, Gen'l Sup't,
San Francisco.

San Fran 30 1874

Received at 4 C Sept 30 187 5 P M.
To Geo Hearst

Please Answer by this Line.
Potrero matter settled at four
dollars per lot Pearson don't
understand your last telegram
Keep me posted

J. P. H.
17 PM 25

No. 1.

Western Union Telegraph Company.

The rules of this Company require that all messages received for transmission, shall be written on the message blanks of the Company, under and subject to the conditions printed thereon, which conditions have been agreed to, by the sender of the following message.

JAS. GAMBLE, General Sup't.,
SAN FRANCISCO.

30

WILLIAM ORTON, President,
G. H. MUMFORD, Secretary, } New York.

San Fran Oct 16 1874

Received at Virginia, Nev.

Oct 16

187

4:50 P.M.

To George Hearst

I go to Santa Cruz today

Coffin given order introduce Adore
Ophir anguish person Elegant introduce
Adoreme that order ink me
here

21 Feb J B H

DESERET TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

This Message is received under and subject to the Rules and Regulations of the Company.

BLANK No. 1.

A. MILTON MUSSER, Supt.,

SALT LAKE CITY.

From San Francisco Oct 1st 1874
RECEIVED AT SALT LAKE OFFICE, NEXT DOOR TO WELLS, FARGO & CO.

To George Hearst

Will write you today
Terms on which Winnemuck
Can. be handled = will
write me Masters

J B Haggan
407 50 + 50 Col B.S.

Connecting lines to Eastern and Western States, Europe, and all points in Utah, including Cottonwood, and Tintic Mines, also with Pioche, Nevada.

DESERET TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

This Message is received under and subject to the Rules and Regulations of the Company.

BLANK No. 1.

A. MILTON MUSSER, Supt.,

SALT LAKE CITY.

Blank No. 1. *Last 3*
To *11 a M.*
From *San Francisco 12 Nov 187*

RECEIVED AT SALT LAKE OFFICE, NEXT DOOR TO WELLS, FARGO & CO.

To *George Hearst*

*Write me all
you know about
diamonds it is important
for me to know Every-
thing*

*J B Haggin
16 Nov 72 paid*

Connecting lines to Eastern and Western States, Europe, and all points in Utah, including Cottonwood, and Tintic Mines, also with Pioche, Nevada.

DESERET TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

This Message is received under and subject to the Rules and Regulations of the Company.

BLANK No. 1.

A. MILTON MUSSER, Supt.,

SALT LAKE CITY.

Blank No. 1. *3*
To *1 p M.*
From *San Francisco Aug 21 187*

RECEIVED AT SALT LAKE OFFICE, NEXT DOOR TO WELLS, FARGO & CO.

To *George Hearst*

*Do you wish coin or currency
and when do you want it*

*J B Haggin
12 Oct 72 paid*

Connecting lines to Eastern and Western States, Europe, and all points in Utah, including Cottonwood, and Tintic Mines, also with Pioche, Nevada.

DESERET TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

This Message is received under and subject to the Rules and Regulations of the Company.

BLANK No. 1.

A. MILTON MUSSER, Supt.,
SALT LAKE CITY.

From Sam Fran. 12. 187

RECEIVED AT SALT LAKE OFFICE, NEXT DOOR TO WELLS, FARGO & CO.

To George Heusst

Cannot say
what can be done
without more accurate
information than you
can impart by Telegraph
write me fully.

J B Haggin
19 pd

Connecting lines to Eastern and Western States, Europe, and
all points in Utah, including Cottonwood, and Tintic Mines,
also with Pioche, Nevada.

2:5

HAGGIN, JAMES B.

TO IRWIN C. STUMP

1891

172/204
c

COPY

#15 Broad Street.

New York, City, Sept. 5 '91

Mr. Irwin. C. Stump,

San Francisco,

Cal.

Dear Sir:-

I have offered to extend the option to the Syndicate for six months longer, substantially on this basis:

A new Company is to be formed, capital stock \$20,000,000; \$2,500,000 working capital; I to sell to them eight and one third millions of the stock, at seventy five cents on the dollar. Of the \$2,500,000 of stock; they are to take one half, at par, and I take the other half. All proceeds until the option is exercised are to be long to me. In case I fail to settle with the railroads they are to finance the bonds for building the new road, to be guaranteed by the Company, which shall own all the stock. In addition, they are to lend me \$250,000 at five per cent, repayable out of proceeds if they exercise option, and if they decline it, 30 or 60 days thereafter. Please telegraph me on receipt whether this is, or is not approved

I do not know that they will accept this, but it is a much better proposition than the one existing. You are aware they have until the first of October to exercise their option under the old arrangement; and whilst I don't think they will do so, yet they may

Yours truly,

(Signed) J.B. Haggin

216

HAGGIN, JAMES B.

FROM GEORGE HEARST

1879-1880

- * COPIES & TYPESCRIPTS, GIFT OF HOMESTEAK MINING CO. SEPT. 1983
- * BUSINESS PARTNER

72/204
C

21/9/79

OFFICE OF THE

Please show this to Mr. Perry

Giant & Old Abe Mining Co.

Lead City, D. T., March 19 1879

J. B. Maggior Esq.
San Francisco, Cal.

Dear Sir:

Your Mch 7th
is received and I am glad to state
that most of your questions have already
been ^{anticipated & dealt upon} ~~answered~~ in former letters -

As to James' Opinion of the series of veins, it is only an opinion, which he must and will admit is not yet proven to be a fact. That he admits that the porphyry is an intruder and came long after the vein was formed, and if the vein was formed before the intrusion came it must have had walls prior to that time, and that being the case the porphyry could be only a division of the veins—

In a small sense, if a man was working in the river and came against the porphyry, it might be called a wall, but not

3/19/79

OFFICE OF THE

GIANT & OLD AGE MINING Co.

J. 1314.2

Lead City, D. T., ... 187

the wall of the great fisure, for instance if a man built a great big barn and afterwards ran partitions through it, the partitions certainly could not properly be called the wall of the barn - It is ~~and~~ true that the vein runs a little more southerly than we had reason at first to believe particularly the Golden Star portion of the vein - However my private opinion always was that it ran about as we now find it from present developments; others not believing that it went as far ~~westward~~ as I did - and furthermore that the porphyry seems to cut the vein somewhat diagonally, more diagonally than the vein crosses the Golden Star ^{+ Hornet} locations, and follows the vein and quartz making division in the quartz into the ^{South} Northern portion of the Highland ground, thence bearing to the East and North -

3/19/79



GIANT & OLD ABE MINING CO.

J.B.H. 3

Lead City, D. T.,

187

and at about this point leaves the Grassy
undisturbed and takes into the East
Country - All of the Porphyry dykes are
then found to the East, penetrating the
Country North and getting farther
from the "belt" as they go North - and
in proof of this fact, there are no dykes
of Porphyry found in the Terra or Dead-
wood or Father de Smith mines, while
East of all these mines; - from cuts made
in building roads etc. - are found many
porphyry dykes ~~carrying little of any gold~~ ^{quartz}
running through the States bearing about
the same direction as those in the Homestead
Star & Wighland Chief, sometimes a
little bit of quartz hanging along the sides
of them, but nothing has been found
as yet to pay, some places the States are
much more metamorphosed and carry-
ing a little bit of gold -

3/19/79



GIANT & OLD ABE MINING CO.

J.B.H. 4

Lead City, D. T.,

187

I still adhere to my former opinion and
am now better satisfied of its correctness
than when I had more to guess than know
but to us it is not so important now as we
first thought it to be, for the reasons that
we have bought so much and covered so
much ground, that it is perhaps just
as well to agree with the other opinion
and make our fight in that direction,
or the other, as it may suit us best. but we
have so much territory that it makes very
little difference what theory they set up
now. of course I know, and so do you
that so large a deposit as this has already
proved to be, that none but a large brain and
a broad gauge man would be able to
grasp the situation and admit the facts.
There are many other proofs I could
give you that I am right in it it is
not necessary in this -

3/19/79



GIANT & OLD ABE MINING Co.

J. B. C.

Lead City, D. T., 187

As to the mine, we have had our eyes on it all the time and we have nearly one third of the ground but as we have a good deal of trouble to get the rest of the all want a big piece as soon as the find that we are worth to buy some more ore standing, then off to get it and it is up to us. The price now asked is about at the rate of Thirty Thousand Dollars.

The mine and the tunnel are on the line of the Great Republic. There is no doubt that there are as good as the Homestake, and have been expected but they are good and have improved and development near or near within the last two or three weeks.

The tunnel in the Terra that Peter made was in barren ground, has been continued and it now is good grade about 200 feet under the surface and now the

3/19/79



GIANT & OLD ABE MINING Co.

J. B. C.

Lead City, D. T., 187

Highland line and is under the ground held by the Jaegers. The lower tunnel which is 40 odd feet lower than the one spoken of above and which ^{from} tramway is to be continued into the mill, it cutting the vein near the north end of the Terra line, has cut 40 odd feet of pay ore and we have started openings on the length of the vein which is looking very well.

As I telegraphed you today, I have been all through the mines and mills, all the mills are running nicely, and all supplies, as wood etc are in abundance and a steady yield of gold, and as for the mill, is better than ever before.

The Terra machinery is arriving very slowly, but and when it will all be on the ground, is, as yet, doubtful.

As to the Homestake stock I wrote you in a former letter, that my notions

3/19/79

OFFICE OF THE

GIANT & OLD ABE MINING CO.

J. H. 7
Lead City, D. T.

187

was that to stop the sale for the present as the mine was worth more money than it was then selling for and we could get more money by so holding and it would be an advantage to so hold it until we could get the other mines on the market, that being the best mine it must lead - and I still adhere to my telegram that the stock will yet sell, if properly managed, at sixty dollars per share, without some bad breaks in the lower levels should occur which we have no reason to believe, although it might be better or might be worse. Yet I don't want to impress upon you that I am expecting or desirous to get the last dollar out of it - but would prefer to realize at a less price, and now turn it over to you to act as your best judgment dictates in the matter from this on.

3/19/79

OFFICE OF THE

GIANT & OLD ABE MINING CO.

J. H. 8
Lead City, D. T.

187

My only reason for not writing you sooner was that there were so many things to look after here in the way of our suits and promissory notes etc, etc; that it took longer time to become familiar with, and a great deal on all matters, mines and otherwise, before I wrote you so as to be able to write you intelligently, so that you could act intelligently. as you say you must be so posted before you can act. 'not being constituted to do otherwise' knowing that, I am very careful what I write you, but expect you to act on it after you receive it.

The Giant Mill is running and perhaps producing more gold to the ton than any other of our mills, but being only a Twenty Stamp mill, it is not necessary to take out so much rock and we are making a very good streak of ore - but the developments have shown

3/19/79



GIANT & OLD ABE MINING CO.

J. B. H. G.
Lead City, D. T.

187

a very large amount of lower grade ore, but which we would pay a profit in a large mill - admitting certain divisions to be made the prospect of the "Giant & Old Abe" is that it will be one of the best mines here, if not the very best - so you can use your judgment about picking up more of the stock at your convenience or not. I don't give this as a fact but the prospects so far as the developments go, warrant that opinion - as I am satisfied the Caledonia is only the extension of the Giant; in it is showing from present development a very fine mine and I think if properly opened and properly managed with all the hills cleaned up is a good property. Taking into consideration these facts and our developments on the south end and a continuous cropping between them showing gold all the way, we must come to the conclusion

3/19/79



GIANT & OLD ABE MINING CO.

J. B. H. G.
Lead City, D. T.

187

that this is a most valuable property - The main shaft of the Giant is now down about 100 feet and expecting every day to cut the vein. The water is getting pretty strong and we will have to put on temporary pumping & hoisting machinery until such time as we can put in heavy works as this shaft is intended to sink to a depth sufficient to cut all the veins to wit: Giant, Old Abe, Hornet, & Golden Star, which latter two will be at a depth of about a thousand feet. From this shaft we can prospect the Lincoln ground and Quincy or the ground to the south of the Giant & Hornet. Of the Lincoln, we are now the owner of one quarter and from the lay of the country the ground to the south of us, to my opinion, will become very valuable. That is to say, the Lincoln ground well protected, will make a good mine.

5/19/79



GIANT & OLD ABE MINING CO.

W.B. 11
Lead City, D. T., 187

Therefore it becomes very necessary that we should have the Amicus as it is a parallel location to it and lying along side of it covering the dip to the east. We will try to get and think we will get the balance of it the remaining three quarters is offered at the rate of Thirty Thousand dollars for the mine but we hope to be able to do better.

The parties who were indicted for killing the man Frankenberg in the mill site trouble, were today acquitted, but the hostility of the Judge seemed to be very great at the acquittal, as he took the jury very much to task and dismissed them from the venire - what other trouble may arise from it, we don't know, at any events we will try to make the best of it - all the parties arrested in connection with the affair are now out except one, who was acquitted by the present grand jury.

5/19/79



GIANT & OLD ABE MINING CO.

W.B. 12
Lead City, D. T., 187

but is held over under bonds for the next grand jury.

In relation to telegrams concerning putting Deadwood & Terra Stock on the market, if you are going to put them on the New York market, the time has now arrived when action should be taken at once in the matter as the Homestake is in full blast and the boys are in a position to place it, on top of the success of the Homestake, and as the mill is doing as well as it ever can with present capacity - the sooner it is done, the better, therefore, my telegram to you, to act at once. I have no doubt, but at some future time it will become necessary to put more stamps on the Deadwood mine, ^{but} at that time being so far in the future, I prefer to anticipate it.

3/19/79

OFFICE OF THE

GIANT & OLD ABE MINING Co.

J. B. W. 13
Lead City, D. T., 187

I think this property is of sufficient importance for you to come here yourself and help me to come to conclusions as to what is best to be done in the premises. as it is taking a great deal of responsibility for us here to determine both in the management and disposing of property here amounting in value to Eight or Ten Millions of dollars. It is true we have had a great many annoyances which have caused the expenditure of a great deal of money but we now both hope and believe the worst to be over but we cannot expect to acquire such a large amount of property in so short a time without difficulties, cost and troubles to acquire and hold the same.

We are sued for a half interest in the Pioneer Ditch but so far as I have gone into it I don't think there is any thing

3/19/79

OFFICE OF THE

GIANT & OLD ABE MINING Co.

J. B. W. 13
Lead City, D. T., 187

in it. also we are refused sued for refusing to pay toll on a toll road over which we haul our lumber but as there is no law in the Territory authorizing toll roads I think we will get rid of that at a cost of small trouble and expense.

What about the Napoma ranch? as I wrote to Knable to see what was the best he could do as I don't want to miss that trade notwithstanding the State Constitution, I want you to write me about it, what you have done.

In regard to the Loyal Lead, start a vigorous fight and make the best arrangement you can. I have hardly read Mattie's report. write me fully about every thing, I must complain some about you not writing very much.

Write me what you think about

34-19



GIANT & OLD ABE MINING CO.

March 15
Lead City, D. T., 1879

our rail road scheme here, that
we think a great deal about and now
think can be done much cheaper than
I first wrote you - as I am offered
by parties here to build and equip it
for Twelve Thousand dollars per mile.
Archie Bouslan is here yet and we
have not as yet come to any understand-
ing about the water arrangements - he is
looking around, I think, trying to find
some weak point for the purpose of atta-
cking us to force a compromise to his
advantage, but I think the more he looks
around, the more he will be convinced
that we are pretty well protected, and he
will be more satisfied to make the best
arrangement he can make us in relation
to water or otherwise but if he acts diff-
erently we will try and clean him out &
feel sure we can do so. The Terra Quia may
not come off this time.
Very truly
yours
Geo. J. Hunter at dictation of Geo. H. Hunter

Please show this to Mr. Tevis



GIANT & OLD ABE MINING CO.

Lead City, D. T., March 15, 1879

J. B. Haggin, Esq.
San Francisco, California

Dear Sir:

Your March 7 is received and I am glad to state that most of your questions have
already been anticipated and dwelt upon in former letters.

As to Janin's opinion of the series of veins; it is only an opinion which he must
and will admit is not yet proven to be a fact that he admits that the porphyry is
an intruder and came along after the vein was formed, and if the vein was formed
before the intrusion came it must have had walls prior to that time, and that being
the case the porphyry could be only a division of the veins. In a small sense, if
a man was working in the vein and came against the porphyry, it might be called
a wall, but not the wall of the great fissure. For instance, if a man built a great
big barn and afterwards ran partitions through it, the partitions certainly could not
properly be called the wall of the barn. It is true that the vein runs a little more
southwesterly than we had reason at first to believe, particularly the Golden Star
portion of the vein, however, my private opinion always was that it ran about as
we now find it from present developments; others not believing that it went as far
westerly as I did - and furthermore that the porphyry seems to cut the vein some-
what diagonally, more diagonally than the vein crosses the Golden Star and Home-
stake locations, and follows the vein and quartz making division in the quartz into
the northern portion of the Highland ground, thence bearing to the East and North
and at about this point leaves the quartz undisturbed and takes into the East Country.

All of the porphyry dykes are then found to the East, penetrating the country North
and getting farther from the "belt" as they go North - and in proof of this fact,
there are no dykes of porphyry found in the Terra or Deadwood or Father de Smet
mines, while East of all these mines, from cuts made in building roads, etc.,
are found many porphyry dykes running through the slates bearing about the same
direction as those in the Homestake, Star & Highland Chief, sometimes a little
bit of quartz hanging along the sides of them, but nothing has been found as yet
to pay, some places the slates are much more metamorphosized and carrying a
little bit of gold. I still adhere to my former opinion and now better satisfied of
its correctness than when I had more to guess than know but to us it is not so
important now as we first thought it to be, for the reason that we have bought so
much and covered so much ground, that it is perhaps just as well to agree with
the other opinion and make our fight in that direction, or the other as it may suit

#2--

March 19, 1879

us best but we have so much territory that it makes very little difference what theory they set up now. Of course, I know, and so do you, that so large a deposit as this has already proved to be; that none but a large brain and broad guage man would be able to grasp the situation and admit the facts. There are many other proofs I could give you that I am right but it is not necessary in this.

As to the Nettie we have had our eyes on it all the time and now have nearly one-third of the ground but as usual have a good deal of trouble to get the rest, as they all want a big price as soon as they find that anyone wants to buy and we are standing them off, trying to pick it up cheaper. The price now asked is about at the rate of \$30,000.

That the Terra and Deadwoods are on the line of the great deposit, there is no doubt. That they are as good as the Homestake can hardly be expected, but they are good and have improved on development very much within the last two or three weeks.

The long tunnel in the Terra that Porter wrote you was in barren ground has now been continued and is now in good quartz about 200 feet under the surface and hear the Highland lines and under the ground held by the Jumpers. The lower tunnel, which is 40 odd feet lower than the one spoken of above and from which a tramway is to be continued into the mill, cutting the vein near the north end of the Terra line, has cut 40 odd feet of pay ore and we have started opening on the length of the vein which is looking very well.

As I telegraphed you today; I have been all through the mines and mills. All the mills are running nicely, and all supplies, as wood, etc. are in abundance and a steady yield of gold and ore for the mills is better than ever before.

The Terra machinery is arriving very slowly, and when it will all be on the ground, is, as yet, doubtful.

As to the Homestake Stock, I wrote you in a former letter, that my notion was to stop the sale for the present as the mine was worth more money than it was then selling for and we could get more money by so holding and it would be an advantage to so hold it until we could get the other mines on the market. That being the best mine it must lead - and I still adhere to my telegram that the stock will yet sell, if properly managed, at sixty dollars per share, without some bad breaks in the lower levels should occur, which we have no reason to believe, although it might be better or might be worse. Yet I don't want to impress upon you that I am expecting or desirous to get the last dollar out of it - but would prefer to realize at at a less price and now turn it over to you to act as your best judgment dictates in the matter, from this on.

#3--

March 19, 1879

My only reason for not writing you sooner was that there were so many things to look after here in the way of lawsuit and counter suits, etc., etc., that it took longer time to become familiar with, and posted on all matters, mines and other-wise, before I wrote you so as to be able to write you intelligently, so that you could act intelligently. As you say you must be so posted before you can act "not being constituted to do otherwise." Knowing that, I am very careful what I write you, but expect to act on it after you receive it.

The Giant Mill is running and perhaps producing more gold to the ton than any other of our mills, but being only a twenty stamp mill, it is not necessary to take out so much rock and we are working a very good streak of ore - but the developments have shown a very large amount of lower grade ore but which we would pay a profit in a large mill. Admitting certain divisions to be walls, the prospect of the Giant and Old Abe is that it will be one of the best mines here, if not the very best - so you can use your judgment about picking up more of the stock at your convenience or not. I don't give this as a fact but the prospects so far as the developments go, warrant that opinion, as I am satisfied the Caledonia is only the extension of the Giant; in it is showing from present development a very fine mine and I think if properly opened and properly managed with all the titles cleaned up, is a good property.

Taking into consideration these facts and our developments on the south end and a continuous cropping between them showing gold all the way, we must come to the conclusion that this is a very valuable property. The main shaft of the Giant is now down about 100 feet and expecting every day to cut the vein. The water is getting pretty strong and we will have to put on temporary pumping and hoisting machinery until such time as we can put in heavy works, as the shaft is intended to sink to a depth sufficient to cut all the veins to wit: Giant, Old Abe, Homestake and Golden Star, which latter vein will be a depth of about a thousand feet from the shaft.

We can prospect the Lincoln ground and Amicus or the ground to the south of the Giant and Homestake. Of the Amicus, we are now the owner of one-quarter and from the lay of the country the ground to the south of us, to my opinion, will become very valuable; that is to say, the Lincoln ground well protected will make a good mine. Therefore, it becomes necessary that we should have the Amicus, as it is parallel location to it and lying along side of it covering the dip to the east. We will try to get and think we will get the balance of it. The remaining three-quarters is offered at the rate of thirty thousand dollars for the mine, but we hope to be able to do better.

The parties who were indicted for killing the man - Frankenberg - in the mill site trouble were today acquitted, but the hostility of the Judge seemed to be very great at the acquittal, as he took the jury very much to task and dismissed them from the venire. What other trouble may arise from it we don't know. At any event, we will try to make the best of it. All the parties arrested in connection with the

#4--

March 19, 1879

affair are now out, except one, who was acquitted by the present grand jury, but is held over under bonds for the next grand jury.

In relation to telegram concerning putting Deadwood and Terra stock on the market, if you are going to put them on the New York Market, the time has now arrived when action should be taken at once in the matter, as the Homestake is full blast and the boys are in a splendid position to place it, on account of the success of the Homestake, and the Deadwood mill is doing as well as it ever can with present capacity. The sooner it is done, the better; therefore, my telegram to you to act at once. I have no doubt but at some future time it will become necessary to put more stamps on the Deadwood mine, but that time being so far in the future I prefer to anticipate it.

I think this property is of sufficient importance for you to come here yourself and help me to come to conclusions as to what is best to be done in the premises, as it is taking a great deal of responsibility for us here to determine both in the management and disposing of property here amounting in value to eight or ten millions of dollars. It is true we have had a great many annoyances which have caused the expenditure of a great deal of money, but we now both hope and believe the worst to be over, but we cannot expect to acquire such a large amount of property in so short a time without difficulties, cost and troubles to acquire and hold the same.

We are sued for a half interest in the Pioneer Ditch, but so far as I have gone into it I don't think there is anything in it - also we are sued for refusing to pay toll on a toll road over which we haul our lumber, but as there is no law in the Territory authorizing toll roads; I think we will get rid of that at a cost of small trouble and expense.

What about the Napoma Ranch? As I wrote to Venable to see what was the best he could do as I don't want to miss the trade, notwithstanding the State Constitution. I want you to write me about it, what you have done.

In regard to the Royal Lead, start a vigorous fight and make the best arrangement you can. I have hardly read Walters report. Write me fully about everything. I must complain some about you not writing very much.

Write me what you think about our railroad scheme here that we think a great deal about, and now think can be done much cheaper than I first wrote you - as I am offered by parties here to build and equip it for twelve thousand dollars per mile.

Archie Bowlan is here yet and we have not as yet come to any understanding about the water arrangements. He is looking around, I think, trying to find some weak point for the purpose of attacking us to force a compromise to his advantage, but

#5--

March 19, 1879

I think the more he looks around, the more he will be convinced that we are pretty well protected and he will be more satisfied to make the best arrangement he can with us in relation to water or otherwise, but if he acts differently we will try and clean him out and feel sure we can do so. The Terra suit may not come off this term.

Very truly,

Per Thos. James at dictation of Geo. Hearst

3/29/79

OFFICE OF THE

GIANT & OLD ABE MINING Co.

Lead City, D. T., Mch 29 1879

J. B. Haggin Esq
San Francisco Cal

Dear Sir

Yours 19th received, and I must say that I think you are mistaken or misunderstood my letter in relation to blocks, particularly Garden Terra, but as I expect to be in San Francisco by the 15th, we can talk it over more readily and understand each other more fully than and it is not necessary to put it in this letter.

As to the Loyal mine, it may not ever be worth anything: as to its value I have my doubts, but as to the legal proposition that it belongs to me I have not any and the reason of my anxiety for you to go and look at it was that I knew that your common sense would have agreed with me and your face of character would have been worth a great deal to me

3/29/79

OFFICE OF THE

GIANT & OLD ABE MINING Co.

Lead City, D. T., 187

J. B. Haggin 2

both in litigation or compromise, but I shall not whine if I never get any thing out of it as our interest here is of much more importance -

Every thing here is looking well Archie Bowdler & Co are doing everything they can both in the way of water and outside titles, I think for the purpose of getting a compromise out of us by which they can make something as he thinks he can play fastwiles on us once more but I have made my mind up to fight it out on this line - No more compromises - and feel sure we can take care of him and our interest - I think our property here is of more value than you realize and I have my doubts whether it would not be better to keep the property as we now have it than to sell it for prices we can now get for it - Very truly George Hearsh
(by dictation to P. James)

3/29/19



GIANT & OLD ABE MINING Co.

Lead City, D. T., 187

P.S. To give you some notion of my idea of the value of the Homestake alone. In the first place to say 100 ft wide of pay ore is a low estimate & that by going a few hundred feet below our present workings in Gold Run we could run a tunnel & cut 150 ft below present open cut & mill from pay, which would drain the mine & cut the vein at the south end of our claim & give us the vein so drained for 1350 feet, the entire length of which has nearly all been explored. and showing a low estimate which would give us - at 13.5 Cu. ft. to ton 1,500,000 Tons ore and with crushing capacity of 12,000 Tons per month (which we will have on completion of new mill) We will require 10 1/2 years to work it. and when this is done the mine will have only been thoroughly prospect and its value understood - bear in mind that this only takes in the Homestake proper and is far short of what the surface and 100 ft levels indicate - I give you these figures for the purpose

3/29/19



GIANT & OLD ABE MINING Co.

Lead City, D. T., 187

of drawing your attention to it and for you to think what is best to be done with this property; and of its value - and in proof of the width of this vein we have examined the Homestake No 2 Cross cut at the north end of Homestake ground, and found the vein there to be at least 200 ft wide of ore that will pay a profit.

Deadwood is improving as it is developed and we now have pay 100 ft wide we will clean up on the first and then you will see & know the results as soon as they can be given to you.

We give you these figures and estimates to give you some idea of the enormity of these veins and of their value so that you may think seriously in regard to what is best to do with them to make the most out of them -
G. H.

OFFICE OF THE
GIANT & OLD ABE MINING CO.

Lead City, D. T., March 11 1879

Mr. J. B. Haggin, Esq.
San Francisco, California

Dear Sir:

Your 19th received and I must say that I think you are mistaken or misunderstood my letter in relation to stocks, particularly Golden Terra, but as I expect to be in San Francisco by the 15th, we can talk it over more readily and understand each other more full then and it is not necessary to put it in this letter.

As to the Loyal mine, it may not ever be worth anything; as to its value I have my doubts, but as to the legal proposition that it belongs to me, I haven't any and the reason of my anxiety for you to go and look at it was that I know that your common sense would have agreed with me and your force of character would have been worth a great deal to me both in litigation or compromise, but I shall not whine if I never get anything out of it as our interest here is of much more importance.

Everything here is looking well. Archie Bowlan & Co. are doing everything they can both in the way of water and outside titles, I think for the purpose of getting a compromise out of us by which they can make something as he thinks he can play Gashwiler on us once more, but I have made my mind up to fight it out on this line. No more compromises - and feel sure we can take care of him and our interest. I think our property here is of more value than you realize and I have my doubts whether it would not be better to keep the property as we now have it than to sell it for prices we can now get for it.

Very truly,

George Hearst

By dictation to T. James.

P.S. --To give you some notion of my idea of the value of the Homestake alone. In the first place, to say 100 feet wide of pay ore is a low estimate and that by going a few hundred below our present workings in Gold Run we could run a tunnel and cut 150 feet below present open cut and mill tramway, which would drain the mine and cut the vein at the south end of our claim and give us the vein so drained 1350 ft. the entire length of which has nearly all been explored, which would give us - at 13.5 cubic feet to ton 1,500,000 tons ore and with crushing capacity of 12,000 tons per month (which we will have on completion of new mill). We will

#2--

March 29, 1879

require 10-1/2 years to work it and when this is done the mine will have only been thoroughly prospected and its value understood. Bear in mind that this only takes in the Homestake proper and is far short of what the surface and 100 foot levels indicate. I give you these figures for the purpose of drawing your attention to it and for you to think what is best to be done with this property; and of its values - and in proof of the width of this vein we have examined the Homestake No. 2 crosscut at the north end of Homestake ground, and found the vein there to be at least 200 feet wide of ore that will pay a profit.

Deadwood is improving as it is developed and we now have pay 100 feet wide. We will clean up on the first and then you will see and know the results as soon as they can be given to you.

We give you these figures and estimates to give you some idea of the enormity of these veins and of their value so that you may think seriously in regard to what is best to do with them to make the most out of them.

George Hearst

Samuel McMaster,

Lead City, D. T. Aug 28 1879.

Mr Haggins Esq
San Francisco Cal

Dear Sir

I telegraphed you today as I supposed you thoroughly understood, that the Hoisting Works is for the Giant and Old Abe and is of sufficient capacity to go from a thousand to Fifteen Hundred feet deep.

The big mill is not running as the Chicago rock breakers have arrived and we are putting them in and making a few other alterations which will take about a week.

Deadwood mine is looking very well the mill is running nicely and every indication of a splendid clean up this time -

Samuel McMaster,

Lead City, D. T. 1879.

Terra mill and mine doing very well late developments in the Terra look splendid.

Highland looking about as usual except that the main header drift through the Hornestake has reached the Segregated Hornestake line which is about One Hundred feet below the No 2 or Highland Tunnel where we have started a raise to connect with the old workings above which look splendid and where we expect to be able to take out a large amount of ore as the vein where Snow worked it above was wide and of very fair grade.

The Segregated Hornestake is Segregated Old Abe Suit is.

8/28/19

Let for the 4th and will probably
be tried by the middle of the month.

The balance of the litigation re-
mains the same as at the writing
of the last letter -

We are very much annoyed about
a location for the new mill and
find it very difficult to select
the best place under the cir-
cumstances -

I want you to hurry up the
getting stocks on the New York
board and get them in shape -
as I am very anxious to realize
on at least one half of our Deadwood
Stock also a part of Terra as soon
as it is best to do so.

Now about Lake Stock
I am not satisfied with the condi-
tion of the Ontario and Last Chance
I am satisfied that if we don't

8/28/19

Samuel McMaster,

Lead City, D. T. 1879.

open up and work the Last Chance
as Ontario, that we don't need any-
other mill - I am also satisfied
that the Last Chance does not &
will require mill capacity, shaft
& hoisting works, pumps etc. of about
equal capacity with the Ontario - And
they should have been put into ac-
tive operation this summer, that
it is gross mismanagement to work
the one of these mines and pump
all the water till it's exhausted or
any other length of time while
working both of them together and
at the same time would greatly fa-
cilitate and help & reduce the expense
of working each -

I know that Chambers has always

8/28/79

OFFICE OF THE

HOMESTAKE MINING COMPANY.

Lead City, D. T., 1879.

had some excuse:— for instance he is afraid to drive ahead for fear of getting too much water in the 200 or 300 or any other level all of which to me is damn nonsense for the reason that if we could not control the water with one pump & one shaft we would know it and the sooner we would put down another shaft and another set of pumps the better.

His excuse when I saw him last was that he wanted to get in the surface tunnel striking the vein at about 200 feet deep to more fully determine the quantity & quality of ore in the last chance which tunnel he led me to be him at the farthest would be in by the fifteenth of June — And I have a letter from him a few days ago stating that it is a hundred and fifty or sixty feet

8/25/79

OFFICE OF THE

HOMESTAKE MINING COMPANY.

Lead City, D. T., 1879.

yet and I suppose no one knows when it will be in, at least not for a long time if it does not go faster than it has been going, at all events it is too late now to build mills this year but the place can be picked out, the bricks ~~but~~ burned and if needed be, the grading done this fall, the heavy lumber gotten in while the roads are hard and all preparations made to build the mill as early in the spring as possible — See to this and have it done at once it is very important in two or three ways, the most important of which is I want to turn a lot of that stock into cash as soon as possible.

This last suggestion I want you to take seriously into consideration as we are getting too many miles on hand & I would rather have more money &

Samuel McMaster,

Lead City, D. T. 1879.

Lead mines.

Mr Taylor has arrived and I think thinks pretty well of the mines and things in general. of which he will write you fully in a few days as he says for me to tell you - he informs me the Lerro goods mine is looking well, so he heard from parties who came from there to Bodie - Noonday is a little bit weak -

I will start home next week some time.

I am much obliged to you for looking after my business and forwarding me letters telegrams etc -

Truly Yours

Dictated to T. James by Geo. Hensch
The writer begs to offer as an excuse for the looks of this letter that his hand is just recovering from a severe injury

Samuel McMaster,

Lead City, D. T. August 28 1879.

J. B. Haggin, Esq.
San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Jim: Sir;

I telegraphed you today, as I supposed you thoroughly understood that the hoisting works is for the Giant and Old Abe and is of sufficient capacity to go from a thousand to fifteen hundred feet deep.

The big mill is not running as the Chicago rock breakers have arrived and we are putting them in and making a few other alterations, which will take about a week.

Deadwood mine is looking very well. The mill is running nicely with every indication of a splendid clean up this time.

Terra mill and mine doing very well. Late developments in the Terra look splendid.

Highland looking about as usual, except that the main header drift through the Homestake has reached the Segregated Homestake line, which is about one hundred feet below the No. 2 or Highland Tunnel, where we have started a raise to connect with the old workings, above which looks splendid and where we expect to be able to take out a large amount of ore as the vein where Enos worked it above was wide and a very fair grade.

The Segregated Homestake vs. Segregated Old Abe suit is set for the 4th and will probably be tried by the middle of the month.

The balance of the litigation remains the same as at the writing of the last letter.

We are very much annoyed about a location for the new mill and find it very difficult to select the best place under all the circumstances.

I want you to hurry up the getting stocks on the New York board and get them in shape - as I am very anxious to realize on at least one-half of our Deadwood stock, also a part of Terra as soon as it is best to do so.

Now about Salt Lake Stocks - I am not satisfied with the condition of the Ontario and Last Chance. I am satisfied that if we don't open up and work the Last Chance as Ontario, that we don't need another mill. I am also satisfied that the Last Chance does now and will require mill capacity, shaft and hoisting works, pumps, etc., of about equal capacity with the Ontario and they should have been put into active operation this

#2--

August 28, 1879

summer, that it is gross mismanagement to work the one of these mines and pump all the water till it's exhausted or any other length of time, while working both of them together and at the same time would greatly facilitate and help and reduce the expense of working each.

I know that Chambers has always had some excuse: For instance, he's afraid to drive ahead for fear of getting too much water in the 200 or 300 or any other level, all of which to me is damn nonsense for the reason that if we could not control the water with one pump and one shaft we would know it and the sooner we would put down another shaft and another set of pumps, the better.

His excuse, when I saw him last, was that he wanted to get in the surface tunnel striking the vein at about 200 feet deep, to more fully determine the quantity and quality of ore in the Last Chance, which tunnel he led me to believe at the farthest would be in by the fifteenth of June. And I have a letter from a few days ago stating that it is a hundred and fifty or sixty feet yet and I suppose no one knows when it will be in, at least not for a long time if it does not go faster than it has been going. At all events, it is too late now to build mills this year, but the place can be picked out, the bricks burned and, if needs be, the grading done this fall, the heavy timber gotten in while the roads are hard and all preparations made to build the mill as early in the spring as possible. See to this and have it done at once. It is very important in two or three ways. The most important of which, I want to turn a lot of that stock into cash as soon as possible.

This last suggestion I want you to take seriously into consideration as we are getting too many mines on hand and I would rather have more money and less mines.

Mr. Taylor has arrived and I think thinks pretty well of the mines and things in general - of which he will write you fully in a few days, as he says for me to tell you. He informs me that the Serro Gordo mine is looking well, so he heard from parties who came from there to Bodie - Noonday is a little bit weak.

I will start home next week sometime. I am much obliged to you for looking after my business and forwarding me letters, telegrams, etc.

Very truly yours,

Dictated to T. James by Geo. Hearst

The writer begs to offer as an excuse for the looks of this letter that his hand is just recovering from a severe injury.

Tueson July 18/880

My Lun Haggin I have down

from an accomplished lass
so far then I would like but
think it will be all right yet
hope so at least But I assume
you - this is the hardest place to
accomplish any thing I have
ever met no telegrams or even
mail but of all my troubles
I will talk of some other time
I have been quite sick but
turned up all right again
I am waiting here on some
matters of my own and have
of the Casket which if not
not attended to at once all
of his and my work will be lost
all of which I will explain when I
see you - We have examined the
Caution Mine and think well

well of It They have a
well defined vein in porphyry
and have the vein say over
300 ft good in the face
Think it as good a mine as
the Raymond Ely and I think will
hold well in depth. I do not
know that you can get it to
put on the market at a fair
price. But if you can it will
stand the test for 75 cts per share
with say 20 stamp mill income and
its prospects for the future are
as good as any silver mine I know
of. But we must have it
for not more than fifteen dollars
per share and for less would
be better. But she is a beautiful
mine. If you can make a satisfactory
arrangement with the parties all
things, books and mine must be more
thoroughly examined. Yours G. Hearst

Tucson
July 18, 1880

My dear Haggin:

I have done more and accomplished less, so far than I would like, but think it will be all right yet. Hope so at least. But I assure you this is the hardest place to accomplish anything I have ever met. No telegrams or even mail, but of all my troubles I will talk of some other time.

I have been quite sick but turned up all right again. I am waiting here on some matters of my own and those of McCaskel which if are not attended to at once all of his and my work will be lost. All of which I will explain when I see you.

We have examined the Contention mine and think well of it. They have a well defined vein in porphyry and have the vein, say over 300 feet good in the face. Think it as good a mine as the Raymond Ely and I think will hold well in depth. I do not know that you can get it to put on the market at a fair price, but if you can it will stand the best for 75¢ per share with say 20 stamp mill income and its prospects for the future are as good as any silver mine I now know of, but we must have it for not more than fifteen dollars per share and for less would be better. But she is a beautiful mine. If you can make a satisfactory arrangement with the parties, all things, books and mine must be more thoroughly examined.

Yours,

G. Hearst /s/

(Typed from Mr. Hearst's longhand letter).

217

HAGGIN, JAMES B.

HOMESTAKE MINE

1888, n.d.

So. DAKOTA

72/204

Registered mail.

Mch. 5-88

Mrs Clara R. Anthony,

285 Marlboro st. Boston, Mass.

Dear Madame;

We now have the pleasure to hand you 421 shares of Homestake Mining Co's Stock in your name Certificates No. 6111-6115 inclusive. The cost of this was \$5,012.75 Your payment to the credit of Mrs Hearst was \$5,000.00 consequently you are indebted to that lady in the sum of \$12.75 You may, if you please, remit that amount to us for her credit.

We have given orders to mail your dividends to you as paid.

Yours very Resp'y,

Agent

I was disappointed in not finding
in your letter any mention of the
Homestead. I had fully anticipated
a line or two by your own hand, giving
me the last quotation and the prospects
I can't understand why you left me
in ignorance of the matter.
I must try to believe, that no news are
good news. —

Mr. [Senator] G. Hearst.



N.S.A.

1105. Taylor Street

San Francisco

Cal

2:8

LANE & KURTZ COMPANY

CHARLES C. LANE

1871-1872

BRITISH COLUMBIA

72/204
C

Victoria B.C. Jan 11th 1871

Friend John

I sent Dave letter to him yesterday - Hearst must make a sale to Roberts or some one else or it will be tight paper for him and me to carry it through. Will you send me the bill of Furniture - also Knapp's bill - and John if any money is paid telegraph to me without delay as I am without funds. - I have made arrangements to sell the Oregon place between now and the first of April next. Stibel writes I can sell at \$5000 profit. I have been borrowing of savings for present use. Have started housekeeping in the house of Saul Fraser on Humboldt Street - So when you come in the spring stop with us -- Tell Hearst that the Greenman Stock was issued to me as trustee and although I have given it to him - I have not endorsed any with the exception of fifty shares - The balance 200 shares I shall not sign unless I know it is all right.

No stock has been taken or paid for in Victoria although we will make several sales within the next two months. The boats on Fraser river have stopped, and every thing froze up for the winter. Mrs Lane & Baby is well and send respects to yourself and Mrs K.

Truly yours

Charles C. Lang

Thousand

Barkerville July 15th 1871
George Hearst

Dear Sir

I telegraphed you that the line was open - and to come up here - I want you to see and judge for yourself regarding the ground also the quartz ledges on Musquito. It is my opinion that our lease is worth more money than any mining property that I have ever seen. George I tell you it is worth millions and our stock ought not to sell for less than \$300 per share.

Part of the machinery has arrived, we are working as fast as possible - If anything special occurs I will telegraph.

Send me some money if you do not come at least \$5,000

I am selling stock and don't want to at \$25 - It is going away

Yours

C. C. Lane

San Francisco Oct 25 1871

George Hearst

Sir

I have waited for you as I wanted you to look at a mine near the coast - about 4 miles from a harbor - so we could mine and deliver the ore here for less than \$25 per ton - The assays average -

Gold - \$ 10.04

Silver - 75.40.

Copper - 37 1/2 per cent

The vein is large and crops out for 1000 feet width 10 feet - so high up the mountain that it is covered with snow 8 months in the year - a wire tramway would deliver the ore at the ship -

at Cariboo we sank the shaft 25 feet in tough clay - then gravel 15 feet then clay again - I enclose slip -

Since then we have sunk in clay - down 60 feet and then struck gravel -

The pump was shipped from Yale on the 25th of August - so it is 37 days

MINING INTELLIGENCE.

WILLIAM CREEK.—The Forest Rose co. last week washed 250 oz. The Ballarat co. washed 101 oz. The upper creek claims, having got a plentiful supply of water once more, are generally engaged in pumping again. The Meadows.—The Lane & Kurtz co. are down about 45 feet with their immense shaft. After going through the surface clay they struck a streak of gravel about 15 feet through, with considerable water. Having gone through this and struck tight clay again, they widened out a large chamber, and are now puddling up to the tight ground above. The donkey engine is used for hoisting dirt and water, and works well.

C. C. Lane
Barkerville July 1871
re mines McLaughlin

To be examined by
Mr. Elfr and Mr. K. C.

Not to go out to any
today

and will be at the works this week -
- The company will be in our debt several
thousand dollars - With the machinery in
our hands we are safe - The ground
below us is good - Send John Boyd
up and we will get a grant of the
Government for it -

Harpending and Roberts offers to
take a mile and a quarter of the upper
end of the grant at \$100,000 - for an
English sale - If we strike it rich the
ground is worth more - and if we don't
the Englishmen won't want it -

I don't see any trouble - I
think we are all right -
Send Boyd up - The lease will
cost us little and the chance is
good -

I leave some silver specimens
with Willis - Riddle assays them
88. per cent silver -

11 " " Quick silver

The mine near Hope is working out and
bids fair to be a big thing - I enclose
slip - other mines are
known to be in the same
district and I shall
look out for us -

THURSDAY, Sept 7th.
The Eureka Silver Mining Company is or-
ganized under the Companies Ordinance,
1862, with a capital of \$150,000 divided into
3000 shares of \$50 each. The company's
lead is situated about six miles from Hope,
at an elevation above the river of about 4000
feet. The lead has been prospected along the
surface for a distance of 1000 feet, and runs
up the side of a mountain 400 feet in height.
A tunnel is being run on the lead, 400 feet
from the upper workings. The ore assays
from \$200 to \$800 in silver to the ton. Com-
fortable winter quarters are being built for the
workmen engaged in opening the mine. Five
miles of a good trail are also being built. The
work is being carried on under the superin-
tendence of Mr Geo Dietz who, we under-
stand, intends demonstrating that we, as well
as our American neighbors, have paying sil-
ver leads. Specimens of the ore were brought
down last evening. They are apparently very
rich.

The present Governor thinks we
have to large a grant - I think
a mile square will be all that
any company in the future will get -
Yours
C C Lane

000074

Barkerille Bl. Oct 28th 1871
George Hearst

Dear Sir

The last of the
machinery - 28,000 lbs is within nine miles
of this place. They will have it all in
ten days. Will have the Big machinery
running in two weeks. -

We are not
working the Donkey Engine. The shaft is
full of water within 12 feet of the top

We have a
good building and will work all winter
or at least until we know what is
in the bottom. - We have money enough
for two or three months - I believe we
will win

Yours Truly
C. C. Lang

C. C. Lang

Oct. 1871

Re. Miner, Carbon
Williams Creek, etc.

Barkerville Nov 25th 1871
George Heath

Started steam today
in the large engine - It will
take a week to get the pump in
and the saw mill finished - I
sold the donkey engine for \$3000
Endorsed paper three and six
months with interest one per cent.

The cost was about \$2200
so we make \$800. I will keep
you posted by telegraph.

In order to work we have
had to prepare for winter.
That has cost more than I expected.

The weather is 22° degrees below
zero last night for so early
in the season that is cold enough
- A few months will tell the
tale - I think we will win

Yours
Geo. Lane

Barkerville Dec 12th 1871
George Heath
Dear Sir

We start to
sink this week - The saw mill
and hoisting are finished. The
machinery was not fitted at the
foundry and it has been a big job
to get it together. I think the foundry
billed us -

Mr. Going who was the
foreman starts today for California
sick - He will see you and report
you up regarding the water and
claim -

I will telegraph you
as soon as we commence sinking
so as to keep you posted fully -

I think we will win

Yours
Geo. Lane

No. 1.

The Western Union Telegraph Company.

The rules of this Company require that all messages received for transmission, shall be written on the message blanks of the Company, under and subject to the conditions printed thereon, which conditions have been agreed to, by the sender of the following message.

JAS. GAMBLE, General Sup't, }
SAN FRANCISCO

WILLIAM ORTON, President, } New York.
G. H. MUMFORD, Secretary, }

Barker velle RC 10 187

Received at San Francisco

Jan 17 1872 P.M.

To Geo Hearst
Haywards Bldg

Have lost three weeks
changing Machinery
and Cold Weather
commenced striking
last night staff
clay Water light
Machinery Works
Well

C C Lane

20 PD via Lacouer

Br

No. 1.

The Western Union Telegraph Company.

The rules of this Company require that all messages received for transmission, shall be written on the message blanks of the Company, under and subject to the conditions printed thereon, which conditions have been agreed to, by the sender of the following message.

JAS. GAMBLE, General Sup't, }
SAN FRANCISCO

WILLIAM ORTON, President, } New York.
G. H. MUMFORD, Secretary, }

Barker velle RC 18 187

Received at San Francisco

Jan 22 1872 11:20 a.M.

To Geo Hearst
14 Haywards Bldg

Shaft eighty four
feet gravel Water
increasing pumps
half speed
short stroke. We
are about five feet
below old shafts

Chas C Lane

20 PD

Via Lacouer 22

No. 1.

The Western Union Telegraph Company.

The rules of this Company require that all messages received for transmission, shall be written on the message blanks of the Company, under and subject to the conditions printed thereon, which conditions have been agreed to, by the sender of the following message.

JAS. GAMBLE, General Sup't.,
SAN FRANCISCO.

WILLIAM ORTON, President, } New York.
G. H. MUMFORD, Secretary, }

Barker ville BC 22 18
187

Received at San Francisco

Jan 22 7 11/18 a
M.

To Geo. Hearst

14 Hayward's Bldg

Shaft eighty eight
feet start for
Victoria leave to

Brown in Charge

We Can Master

The Water Without
trouble

Chas Lane

20th St

Via Lacquer 22

The Lane and Kurtz Company.

(From the Sentinel.)

The works of this Company are situated at the Meadows, about three miles from Barker-ville, and have been erected at a cost of about \$65,000. Our space will not admit of the full description of them we should wish, but every one who has not seen them in working order is recommended to pay a visit.

One of the first ideas that strikes the visitor is the ease and smoothness with which the whole machinery runs, and the order and regularity of the works generally; and by the time he has observed and been shown the different pieces of machinery, the mode of handling them, their character and adaptation, he will wonder how they came in Cariboo, and almost fancy himself in one of the factories of a manufacturing district.

The following is a short description of the machinery and works:—Engine, 14x30 inch stroke; estimated at 107 horse-power, when making 60 revolutions with 90 lbs. of steam; is furnished with an extra pump for feed, runs two Cornish pumps of 10 inch bore and 6 feet stroke, hoisting the dirt and driving the sawmill. The latter is working well, having plenty of power. It is intended to place elevators to carry the sawdust to the boilers, there to be used for fuel, and in the spring to procure a Wadworth tonguing and grooving machine, capable of planing 8000 feet per day, also a cut-off saw: in short, to make it a first-class sawing and planing mill.

The shaft, 4x12 in the clear, is situated between the old Montreal and Enterprise shafts, and is down 80 feet from the platform, stiff clay being found at the bottom. The quantity of water thus far is so little that it is not sufficient to keep one pump working more than one-fourth of the time. The frame building, well braced, shingled and finished, covers the sawmill, hoisting works, blacksmiths' shop, engine and boiler.

The benefit Cariboo has derived from this enterprise is considerable, but should the undertaking prove successful the advantage will be great indeed. Should that portion of the ground now being worked prospect well, more shafts on other portions of the grant will be sunk next spring and summer; and we may say that on the success of the Lane & Kurtz Co. depends in a great measure the influx of capital to Cariboo. Colonel Lane leaves by the next express on his way to California. Unassisted and alone he has managed the Company's business in British Columbia, and prosecuted the operations to their present state of efficiency, for which he is entitled to all credit. We wish him a safe journey home and that success in his undertaking he so well deserves, and which there is good reason to believe he will obtain.

Wool, Hides, Sheepskins,
and Calskins.
PAID FOR
HIGHEST CASH PRICE

Victory B.C. Feb 7th 1872

George Heath

we Sir

Rusty writes me
that you was in Nevada - I will start
from here steamer of the 20th will
you be in San Francisco - Telegraph me.
- I have received no telegram from
the mine since the 31st of last month. Then
we was down 96 feet coarse light gravel
with boulders. sinking three shifts three men
on each shift. We are working one chinyman
on each shift and two above ground.

- I tell you we will win. I don't
see a chance of failure - we can
handle the water with our machinery
without any trouble - - I think we will
have to sink 150 feet and if we
strike bed rock before that I expect we
will be on the run and have to run to
the channel. - We may strike it to morrow
or any day - But I think we will have
to run one to three months longer to sink
the meadows. I enclose you slips from the
paper - Brown is instructed to telegraph you
direct if anything occurs Yours
G. L. Lane.

2 ft bed rock left in face of tunnel

Geo Hearst

San Francisco Aug 12th 79

Mr Sir - I am here and intend to stay until you go to Cariboo with me. What is the use of new leases unless you will pay attention to them - Brown writes 15th June - The gravel is very different from what you saw It is well washed and much quartz in many pebbles and quartz boulders all having the appearance of the old milliners creek channel. On the 27 June he writes - The gravel on the bottom is looking very well for big pay We are all well pleased with the indications and prospect. On the 6th July he writes "When we quit the face of the tunnel it looked lovely and very much as though we was in the immediate proximity of big gold we have most beautiful tight well washed gravel and boulders Plumbago Sulphates and Black sand and those substances invariable accompany gold. Aug the 3 The telegrapher

San Francisco
Aug 12th 79
Geo Hearst
10/20

pumps complete. Started Iron pumps yesterday. placing
new pumps into position. Running chambers around
shaft Engine pumps good working condition. ^{Srs} R & Brown

Now George push ahead your business
and go to Cariboo see and examine the
new lease before we start the company
Haggie also wants you to examine something
outside of Cariboo - I had the quartz I
sent you in sack marked by Riott's result
\$12⁰⁰ per ton the gold free and marked
to 80 per cent - I don't see how we can
make of failure. I think we have a
dead certainty - But I want you to
do some work with me - What the Hell
is the use of my applying for new leases
if you are not to help me in working
them through. Come and go to Cariboo
If you want take Mrs Hearst up to
Victoria it will be a pleasant trip for her
son CC Lane

No. 1.

The Western Union Telegraph Company.
Pacific Division.

The rules of this Company require that all messages received for transmission, shall be written on the message blanks of the Company, under and subject to the conditions printed thereon, which conditions have been agreed to, by the sender of the following message.

WM. ORTON, President, } New York.
O. H. PALMER, Secretary. }

G. H. MUNFORD, General Agent, } San Francisco.
JAS. GAMBLE, General Sup't, }

San Francisco Aug 28 18

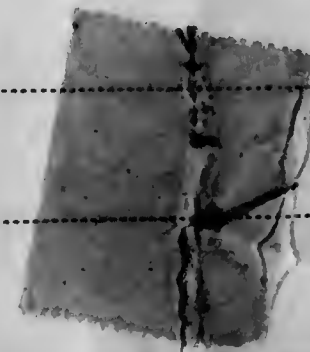
Received at Ham Aug 28 18 12 M.

To Geo Hearst
Proche

I have something
good in British
Columbia, Come by
telegraph where I
can meet you

CC Lane

15/rd



2:9

Lent, WILLIAM M.

1860-1861

BUSINESS ASSOCIATE

72/204
C

San Francisco
July 31st 1860

Mr Rich^d: Christopher
Statue Island

Dear Uncle

This will be handed
to you by my very particular friend Mr George
Hunt who has promised me to call on
you. I wish you would introduce him to
Uncle Drought & Amelia. He is as good as
they make him. We saw Amelia photo-
graph and enquire who it was. I
have now this conversation on the subject
show Mr Hunt all attention on my
account as well as his own.

He was at the house a few days
since and can fully inform you on
this one folk.

Respectfully
Yours
J. M. Lusk

Virginia City, Sept. 26, 1876.

Dear Friend,

For several days I have been very busy and we are following an urgent case your affairs are also of the same nature and are having a good time.

I have made new deals to drivers & given you deals very fairly for example you conveyed to George & John in Santa Clara instead of 10 feet - I handed the papers to Henry & he drew them properly - Mr. Higgins' interest has been attached for an old debt of Higgins & Patterson (Patterson is in status pro) consequently he was not able to convey to you the fronted lot - before I left I posted Shuman & he will attend to it.

Wells & Remond - Remond as when you left the Moon Superintendant of Wells, he found out that they have got into a misunderstanding with Wells that he saw Wells & your friend Fetch in the founda with the lightning rod in the shape of a "Tee" switch. I think that the Wells & your friend have availed themselves of Fetch and to discover the land while I am writing Wright says that the mortgage is not so strong that that Fetch in his attempt to hold the land steady & secure his debt the consequence was that he refused to sell at an advance of 250 or half dollar per foot.

Wells & Remond as when you left

[illegible]

Your draft of ~~was~~ Bureys for 500 fann of Spams was
 protected - Spams provided the same to me and I paid
 it - rather a small price of Buring on the bank of Mr
 Bureys - They are doing but little on the Cataplas for the
 says this he does not see much to fear

Land

Dr Geo
Mr Lent Scherly has covered nearly all the ground
which I have seen. And I can add but little to what has
been already said - Lady Bryan & Descent are looking up a little
more than when I came up - St Louis - nothing new, nothing
new - all anticipate good results from the Mills near the
gate, but if it should not turn out good it will be ~~another~~ a
hard hit Low Switz is now the order of the day - you'd be sorry
to find out taking out good one fast - I would not sell a foot
of it - I hope you had a pleasant trip - and will have a good
game at Home - and return safe See my father and mother and
tell them all about it - my regards to Aunt Betty & family
Love
Geo

San Francisco June 8/61

Mr Geo Haun

Saint Louis

Mo

Dear George

I received your
very kind letter, and have sent it to Mr Clark
with instructions to him to answer it & return
it to me informing him that I would answer
it also. You are all right George. Enclosed
I send you a copy of your accounts in which
you will see that what miners have been sent
to what places out - Your letters have been on
a page with many names that have been
spread about you that have been disputed
as soon as they have reached my ears. No
more of this but I will try to give you as good
a description of Mexico as I can.
Ophi This mine is worth one thousand dollars.
In fact they continue to take out good ore
they have erected large works at Washoe
Valley with soot to the word have laid
out one hundred thousand dollars within
the last thirteen months in working the mine
selling low and making a road to Washoe
to be to be they will commence to pay dividends
in about six months.

Mexico This mine has been at a steady
state or more but they are now at work
with every prospect of making 50,000 ft

I think I will the battle with Count
 & others by sending them back the full
 but forget for returning the balance
 owing to right in part of Count
 the one the back we could do. I cannot
 think any be agreed with me in
 particular

In your other claims nothing
 has been done. The thing is nothing
 and I shall of course for some.

What I am doing out my side
 as and will be with some the
 something is a short time. I am
 a very much. The others I shall
 try to a very much.

I shall be to my attention. I shall
 the little I can with right. I shall
 after a short time are looking
 and I shall be sure to be
 the be with others to do

As they are a very small
 full time. I am very much
 for the time and will be with
 it is about to make from my side
 it is impossible to get in the
 by me time and have another and
 with continue to send for it to pay
 of the profits with some other
 I shall be with my two months
 I shall be with my two months

4

I have said that somehow you would find
 account George will not have it ready
 as not sent. I shall be all money. I shall
 and has paper. I shall be all money. I shall
 you will find them all money. I shall
 turn up at the end. I shall be all money. I shall
 you can, you are like myself a California
 within you return you will remain. I shall
 Miller Hunt. Charles Hunt. I shall be all money. I shall
 at all.

My family are all well. I shall
 only be to with you. I shall be all money. I shall
 to you the true spirit. I shall be all money. I shall
 you return me some more money. I shall
 so I shall be all money. I shall

I shall be all money. I shall
 had worked up to the same line and
 found the same very good. I shall
 will come with all right.

I shall be all money. I shall
 letters must have been sent.

Yours, I shall

I shall

I shall be all money. I shall

You not getting any letters from me makes
me afraid to write you as I should wish
as far money you can get all you want
in New York or you can draw on me
or telegraph me as you may see best

Shuman & Bob Morris are at work
on the ~~the~~ 'Savage' & are bringing it up
at about 20¢ the 5th have worked up
to this line and we can take out good
adv. this is not generally known. But the
Hale & Morrell & others on the line have
not done much towards making a fortune
for this mine

I am at work at Yellow Jacket
this claim will be a good one when
it has been put in shape. I think that
you had better see "Camp" & buy of him
a confirmation of the sale made to you
by Bill Spear

If I get an answer to my
telegraphs and find that a letter can reach
you I will write you more fully

Yours

Wm. L. L.

2:10

WENT, WILLIAM M

1862-1863

72/204
c

around my letter or telegram
when you come you can have a
hint, welcome by myself & family
I have a fine boy & girl. I suppose I
know the reason of your delay. Being
an old married man I can assure
matters take no risks I hope to write
be as fine a boy as mine. Have you
got a reason for it, if not call it Love

Truly Yours

Leah

San Francisco Aug 27/62

Dear George

I received a letter from George
last night in which he says I received
a letter from Mrs Hunt saying that he
the says George does not like to write

George this is wrong in your part and
you have caused me many moments
of worry - just previous to receiving your
last letter the report was that you were an
officer in the Confederate Army. We heard
of the progress of the Confederate War and
not having heard from you I believed the
thing was true when at the E. O. office there
was a man enquiring about your stock
who told me that he had found that
you were in the rebel army so I came up
to the office and immediately wrote to you
to come down and saying that the price
was 1400 and I would sell them in San
Francisco and send them out of the
country. I also sent for Judge Heydenfeldt &
consulted him, during this time a number
called and their conversation leading to
enquire what you were with saying Leah
that friend of yours that went home has
made a good thing of him in my friend
my reply was that he had spent it all

this was on a Friday, on Friday night I
thought the matter over and on Saturday
I went into the market sold 13 feet of
C1850 & 10 feet of C4004 and then retired. I felt
the importance of the state of your affairs
that I remained in town one Sunday when
I received your letter, and I jumped for
joy the next morning when they engaged
I told them that I had received letters and
that you was strongly in mind I did not
explain the kind of mind I meant - so
much for neglecting to write for so long
to day is worth 2400\$. Your mill will
not be finished for two or three months
yet and will cost over 400,000\$. The
management of this company has been
worse than the others.

Truman has not given me the safe
yet and I have commenced quite a job
him I was compelled to do as the
two years would run and the claims
would be barred, I have consented to
let it remain until you return before
we go to trial.

Savage - we are about organizing
this company and we have bought
about 300 feet of the Bowyer title. There
is our hundred feet of this ground in
dispute. It appears by the record that

the only record 200 feet divided every
400 feet in my opinion the 100 feet is
in the hands of Head & Hapgood, and
as I am president of the company, I will
withhold the stock until it is settled.
I write to Doc & Shuman that they must
buy all they can in savings so that
we can have the control. Andrew &
Jettus have bought 170 feet of which
Joe Hemming has fifty feet. All Clayton
& Morgan have an interest that I am
in hopes we can get hold of - in
my opinion this claim is as good
as ~~Savage~~ Gould & Henry. I will go up
next week and will ask to work
settling out our immediately.

Wacker is bringing Opium 3500 - value
1500 (looking well) hides & White & Purple
& Red & Belcher quite for want of work
& attention - we have made mistakes but
we have done better than the average. It
has been along side of me all the time &
he is a good fellow - I let him in with
an opinion at Sonoma that will make
him give a million sure, we are all
right George. I would like to see you
but are you ever coming.

My regards to your ~~wife~~ and I
would have written fully had you

San Francisco

Oct 7th 1862

Mr George Heath

Bullman

Franklin City

Mo

Dear Sir,

Yours of

of the 2nd came duly to hand & contents noted, it is
very strange that you have not received my
letters both I & myself have written you twice
we have concluded you did not receive our
letters

Your interests has been protected in every way
when you left we have done with your property
the same as with our own with the exception
we have sold our Gold Henry, which has
been done in Gold Henry or any other property
of yours has been done by the advice & consent
of I & J

You have now 87 feet of Gold Henry
worth 2200 \$ per foot your fifty feet in Gold and
Wierup is worth 500 \$ Savage is in dispute
100 feet of your little is mixed up with Heald
and we are now at work trying to extract
it, we have a meeting on next Tuesday when
I am in hopes that your interests will be made
right for this stock there is not any fixed

price. but will be very valuable ground
Berk & Belcher shares are not worth much

I have been in game of selling enough
sufficient to reimburse you the money you
sold Ophi for, and more to it in real estate or
city bonds but I & J said no. I put down your
interests in California & Washoe as follows

87 feet of Gold	200,000
50 " Gold & Wierup	25,000
100 " Savage (may vary)	50,000
Shares Berk & Belcher &c	10,000

285,000

Your interest

65,000

220,000

half yours & half I & J -

I am sick of mining and I am disposing
of my stock as fast as possible - Central
is worth 1700 \$ and I am selling as fast
as I can find customers this is for your
own eyes & no one else - I have done my
best to hold on to your stock - The
assessments have been heavy and you are
very fortunate to get out as well as you
have, I have given you above all that
I know touching your business

We are now indulging a very light
mining market which will be the result
I do not know - I would like to see you
very much - About your coming you

much ask your own pleasure, there is nothing here to induce you to come out of you have my stamp to attend to and in measure.

You complain in your letter of not having heard from me, in reply when you left you expected to be gone about six months, and from that time to this I have looked for you by almost every steamer and it is no fault of mine or loss that you have not received our letters as we have written you frequently, & my full letter I am satisfied that at the time you were placed you in desperate employment my letters were tampered with. I should judge that you would rather live in Mexico than in California, if such is the case I would like enough to buy 75000000 in San Francisco for bonds and all you have to do is to cut off coupons every six months and they are good in any part of the country, you are thus safe from any contingency, as you can travel & take them with you, thus place all your interests in mining stocks in your hands & I have not collected & send you the proceeds I have not yet had in giving any advice than I intended when I commenced this

But as I have written it I will let it go I hope it is hard to be for you are now rich and should take the advantage of it and place yourself in a position that you cannot be in danger of depending upon any man. I will send a copy of this letter to Los Angeles so he can see what I have written you and he can send it on to you with such comments as he sees fit. It is subtle and you have better ask when what he writes you.

My best regards to your good lady and tell her to do me the same and make you receive this immediately. Take good care of yourself.
Truly Yours

Wm. M. Smith

All my letters were directed to St. Louis R.R.
Station
Franklin City
Mo

George Hunt by

Virginia City

San Francisco Nov 24 1862

Mr Geo Hunt

Virginia

Dear Friend

I was up to see Mr Walter yesterday I found Mrs Hunt very much improved she told me to tell you that she walked to Church & back without feeling fatigued. I also told her that I was going to write you not to return until you had accomplished everything so you would not have to go over this winter again.

Since you left Gould Henry has advanced to 2300 of Cash & 2500 of empty days time. I am very anxious to hear from you and if you have not written do write me particularly on Gould Henry, Savage and do not forget to go into Central & give me your opinion.

Feltro (from Nevada) is in town and I am in hopes that he will be able to settle with Bryan and full.

For went on Saturday to Petrolina to see Endicott from whom Henry who bought 100 feet Savage and according to the record has but 66 2/3 feet he has just returned and reports that Endicott has removed away, so we will try to find him out some way and see if we cannot make out where this 13 1/3 is. I will write him to day.

The weather continues pleasant but
cannot last I sent up the carriage for
Mr. H. to go to his ship maker, and
will do all we can to make her happy
she looks like another person, when
you come down I will give you some
spoons

My regards to Mr. & Mrs. Day
to send that nothing has been done up
to this hour with Bryan but I am in
hopes that the next twenty four hours
will bring a settlement

Yours &c
Wm. L. G.

I enclose you a letter received yesterday

San Francisco Aug 14/63

Dear George

Nothing of importance since you
left - a letter from P. Hebrus to you from Oregon
I do not send it as your wife no doubt see him
and he will inform you all that he has written

Williamson succeeded in getting the
horse over the back at 5000 ft and they are field
is searching the title

I am now giving some attention to the
the paper building and I am much in favor of
the house with french roof as it is shonney and
will always be worth the money and when up
the difference in cost will be nothing compared
to the difference in value and this I will decide
on that -

In running stocks I have nothing new to report. North American went up to 90 Buzen the woman drops heavily @ 500 @ 540¢ I shall look for a letter growing your runs on American Yellow Jacket. The latter claims is offered @ 900¢ apparently paid which makes it 870¢ - There is a report in

town that the mind will get a new trial upon
the ground of newly discovered evidence. You
have not had the extensive evidence of the trials
of lawyers that I have and I would rather
bring up outstanding claims rather than law
them. as in the latter case you spend all your
spare money and the lawyers get the mine.

During your stay here the dividing line
fixed between the Savage and this is of
importance to both mines. Have a good look
at Savage and with a view of the two veins
and I am of opinion that we had better bring
up North Polar as offered in the lease and
thus obtain a control of it. as there is a
wide space between the two veins.

It has been so dull since you all
left that I have had the flu. I paid Mr
Clayton order on you for Five Hundred Dollars
what was it for also bought 100 feet of
Republic @ 1.50.

Yours &c

Leek

There is one point I wanted to speak to you
about before you left and that was your business

with Walter. Walter should not have hesitated
to secure you with a mortgage on ^{his} home
when first comes down and he does not
take up the stock. I shall insist upon this
security. the stock he has belonging to you
was a loan and as for the money you loaned
him that is another thing. and it did not
shock me as in very good taste for him to when
he had your property, hesitated to refuse
to give you what he had as security under
the circumstances I would not advise you to
or have you to push Walter at this time. but
he should secure you the stock if he does it
I will take up the loan to Dr Crum and let
his note to me for the same amount and
will hold it to the end of the lawsuit

San Francisco

July 15 1863

Dear George

Your dated placards arrived this morning your suggestions will be carried out. I had a talk with Mr. Apperman and I do not think he likes the idea of going over the bay. He actually wants to be as near you as possible and the communication for easy. He thinks wife of Santa Clara and was speaking to me of Ocean Place. I will see him again ~~the day~~ ~~day~~ or tomorrow.

Enclosed I hand you copy of letter received from Santa. You will see he does not say anything about anything very rich. But all are excited and the report on the stock at Lumber City struck it very rich. I wish you would write me fully about Savage Bank & Company.

Yours to

Leah

There was one 700 feet Real del Monte sold last evening @ 260¢ average. This mine is worth looking at as they have a forty stamp mill and are getting down large amounts of bullion. If you hear anything about it write me.

San Francisco July 20/63

Dear Frank

Nothing from you since I got married. Parsons called on me for forty five Hundred Dollars which I paid him. He gave his testimony and left this morning for Los Angeles. It was better than he said to you or Parsons I gave him one Hundred Dollars. He got a telegram from Shanghai last evening asking him for money to come up with. I gave him three Hundred as one of the Seven Hundred fifty Dollars. The money draft is heavy and I told Parsons to day it was all out of your money coming in except by my selling Savages or other good stocks etc. I have brought a claim to 27 feet of Crown Point. Segregation I pay or have paid for Hundred Dollars and I give one third of the claim to Roche & Co. Parsons informs me that he has seen Staples and he can compromise for 20 feet if he can this will be a good operation. I have the plan to day I bought 2 feet 16 & 18 feet Savages.

from Haggins & Lewis I had to sell the Sanges
and two feet of L & C to make things meet
I then bought 18 feet from Roche and I
have until the 16th of the next month
to pay for it - and I would like not to
be forced to sell, but will have to do it
if the account of L & C & H & L & H
& P & S increases which it is doing every
day by new outlays - You see my reason
for wanting to sell outside property and
my ranch. I do not feel able to hold it -
as your agent I am doing a very large
business and in case of accident to me
I do not know what may become of it -

I feel gloomy but don't let this find you
the blues - The weather is fine - I saw
Mr Apperman and told him what you
had told me - He is anxious to get at
something to do, I told him not to be in a
hurry & encouraged him as much as I could
Your baby having the measles I was afraid to
call as Mrs L & C would worry about it as none
but mothers can do - I will go up to day some
time - In reading this over I think I feel

better than I did when I commenced my
stomach must be out of order -

In giving my attention to the
plans for the buildings on race track I
found them so faulty that I rejected both
and went to our architect to get plans
made which will be done by the time
this reaches you and when you come
back I will give you my ideas Judge
Hydenfeldt is preparing abstract of the
lot bought adjoining the property the
price will be \$5000

Yours
J. M. Lewis

San Francisco Oct 13. 1863

Dear George

Your letter came only to hand
and I am now waiting to hear from you after
having visited the mine at Humboldt River
River

Enclosed is the only letter that has
come for you. excepting letters from the states
which we send up to the house as soon as they
come. I was out to your home on Sunday Mrs. Grant
was looking very well indeed - she has a very nice
home and is much pleased with it. and I no doubt
you will be pleased also

Stan is down and he wanted me to draw
the B & B stock and give to him I told him there
was a misunderstanding and I would not do any
thing until you come down and he is willing
to let it remain until then

Lowthum returned from Crescent City
he was not as well pleased as ~~he~~ he thought he
would be. he desired certain work to be done
on Cliff ornaments and we will have to wait
the result -

Parrish is very busy & has a trade
on hand for land which will be very advantageous
and I hope that he will make it. You find that

was badly hurt by an explosion of a Keg of powder
is dead.

The Irish miners in whom is the Apache
chief there is two tons of ore here and they
want to take out and in eight almost in-
stantly.

Arriving here with Fred to day to
look at the Copper mines of Nevada. Fred is
very sanguine indeed and will give us all
a chance if I show anything there.

owing to the great demand made
upon this market for coin for the purpose of sending
to Mexico on French account there is a very great
scarcity of money.

By the last steamer a friend of
mine by the name of Dan Bayley arrived de-
-scending from New Orleans his accounts are awful.
He says many a day he has sat down at the
table in his own father's house with nothing but
bread & molasses on the table.

When will this business end I
get so sick sometimes that I think I will leave
for Europe. as the worst of this war is to
come after peace is declared. The business
will be increased ten fold to what they now are
and we all know that they are plenty as it is.

You have no doubt read the partic-
ulars of the trial of Chopman's partner. Well

there must have been some very bad calen-
-lations as it was dubiously understood that
there would not be an acquittal of any.
Contrary to all ideas of the most knowing
the jury rendered a verdict of Guilty after
an absence of only few minutes.

I am anxious to have you back
but see everything this time so as to avoid
going back for some time.

Arriving New York intended to day
to visit to bright at much less prices
as you will see by the papers.

Charles Strong will have to pull
up this month ^{up this} day he has drawn
fifty thousand dollars more than he has
sent - so the balance of the month he
will have to come up here.

Yours

Wm. Lusk

San Francisco

Oct 14th 1883

Dear George

Parnes has just arrived and is feeling very sore indeed. Some two weeks ago he came to me & said that Allen had come up from the San Francisco debtors and wanted his pay so as to enable him to leave for the new mine and that there was nothing in the debtors and that called upon Parnes for the money and Parnes wrote & made enquiries and was not disposed to pay & sold out to stand all over me - I told him what he had heard as true & it now turns out that this story was all false and he has made arrangements to put a stop to the sale. Parnes writes you are very bad and he is in great distress of mind and I am not feeling much better. As I have done a very foolish thing indeed. In this respect I have depended upon Parnes and he has acted for the best. I have been alone and very hurried to fall. As this is a nip we have there as far as I see what

is concerned that I do not know any
former of allowing him him and he
will repudiate it and I have no
doubt we will be able to prove a
state of facts that will refute the
whole trade - your friend Watson is
in it. and at the time he is using
your money which saved him from
him he has been interested in this
Parsons feels like H. C. and is
hard at work on them and in my
judgment will win.

I told Parsons that he would
do a good thing if he could make
any heads for lower than State Range
in trade.

I have nothing new to write
which time all is going along as
well as could expect. The capitalists
of New York are turning their attention
to the mines of Arizona and have
bought the "Huntzleman mine" and
want to buy others. I understand that
the Apache chief could be made
a valuable mine in New York.

Parsons wants me to say to you
the movement for him to see was
there in all the springs we had of the

rock brought up by stops and such
much to anything and allow coming
up and abandoning the work was
the movement that made him think
it best to sell. it is clearly a scandal
put up on him. so do not worry about
it. as you have been entirely complete.

Take good care of yourself
come back as soon as you can

Yours Truly
L. B. L.

San Francisco Oct 21 1863

Dear George

Your letter to directors of Shuba was accompanied by letter from others and the stock would have brought yesterday one hundred dollars. Although I am short of money I write you to raise some to make back what we have lost in Shuba. We have now your 'Apache Chief' that they have over one hundred tons out and I have secured an agreement to bring it up to this place. There is a great deal of money going out in this direction and I do not see how it can be avoided. In fact I am kept pumping to make all things move early.

Yesterday I was called upon for the 25.000 \$ & by the 30 of next month will have to pay 80.000 \$ Yesterday I sold 145 feet north annex 666 feet and I done this just for want of money secured for the reason that I did not like the appearance of stock that belonged to you & take care to other parties.

A day is election day & banks all closed.

Parsons is trying to make a trade with Western stock for a place on Horned St which you admire much it is on the right hand side going out and when we proposed it you asked to whom it belonged

From said to an Irishman and you remarked
he was old - I am trying to get it for you

I have been to see the Collector of Internal
Revenue and he is to come and look at your
accounts I told him it is the case that you
did not have any revenue for '62 - but on
this coming year you would have so

I have sold 20 feet of mormon cloth
10 feet for cash & 10 feet on 30 days I will by mail
the balance, as soon as I can

Another call for money which will
make me jump tomorrow but I will try to get
change into it

Yours Rec
L. Smith

The house mentioned above is not the same I have
described but a twin house situated in the
rear on my property - and much better than
the one the house cost me 20,000 of me give
him 15,000 and 100 feet of land - The house
& lot is worth cash 28,000 if you do not want
it I will take it the lot is 170 feet square on
the corner - The house is cheap & this is another
call for money

Sac City Dec 11 1862
Friend Leno
I see you have been
compensating the Mining Steam Air
line you have done many other
things. I do not know all the
particulars and am not prepared
to say much. But it appears to
me to be very hasty operations.
I thought this was my enterprise
and should have been consulted
before any thing was done. I have
spent a long time trying to get hold
of a good thing and to have it
brought and wanted don't please
me. I thought I would turn this
thing in my own way and keep
my business to my self for ever
and make some thing more
more. But I fear this will go as
many things have gone before.
I will stop. I could say more but they
have said too much. But I can't but
think I should be consulted in my own
matter and must be for if I am a fool
the sooner I find it out the better I think

be down soon and tell you all
and arrange all the papers and
all the party and and you
can run the machine

Telegraph Frank Faral
to put all the day an record
as the many is all party

Yours
G. F. Hearst

2:11

LENT, WILLIAM M.

1864

72/204
C

San Francisco July 25 1864

Dear George

Yours of 22^d came duly to hand and contents noted. Your despatch saying close out Lotin I commenced to day, to do so sold 10 feet @ 450/\$50 days and have telegraphed you on the subject of selling mine.

I received a despatch signed Howard McVinn & Crittenden advising settlement with Dale Clayton & this by issuing him 13⁴⁴/₆₃ feet on the payments of 38090 dollars. I have assumed by saying in a despatch which I directed to you Howard Crittenden & Stewart and since then I am convinced that we can only safely pay the money as if I gave the stock to Clayton; I cannot do up to myself rather and unless all come in & settle we had better remain out of money than be forced to go in to buy stock for which we might be forced to pay a large sum of money.

Enclosed you will find a letter from Lauren to you also one to Mr A. Lauren concerning the ground he spoke to you about which please attend to.

I was at the ranch last night yesterday
and to your home last night your family are
all well and the baby entirely recovered

Nothing new in matters here the
weather uncomfortable warm. Parns gone
around the bay with his lady. I have not
seen Mc Apperian since I last wrote you

I want you to attend to the settle-
ments now going on with Clayton rather
I received the first shipment of New York
bills. The stock is due at 9 o'clock

Yours &c

Leah

San Francisco Jan 26/64

Dear George

Your very kind letter came duly
to hand & contents noted

Mr Bent was at your home yesterday
and your family are all well

I sent up yesterday the abstract
from which we issued Savage's stock, when
you see this call on Britten and overlook
the matter with him and ascertain if
any mistake has been made and not
to let the whole matter rest with Monro
in other words do not let him know more
than you do

I have come to this conclusion
re the movements of Hrade. After Hrade
had made his big trade for the Market
property he was anxious to see what
the mine looked like, when he first ar-
rived he did not think well of it and
told Bob of the big trade and advised
him to trade back of his for real estate

Mad sends down an order for the delivery of three feet which ~~was~~ sold @ 2775¢
The next day they get into piles in the lower shops and Mad stops his sales, and then trades with Monroe and get from him thirty five feet of ground for three and dolls for one half of all his real estate looking for in heavy. He upon his arrival sells five feet @ 300¢ in hopes to secure Lancaster to sell fifteen feet to him. This is the state of this case. So get even ~~three~~ more. Mad H. Monroe may take advantage of any defect that may be discovered in the title upon which we have given stock, so keep yourself posted on what is going on.

Stranahan has arrived and given a statement and Pangle says that up to this time we have only been looking on before the ~~the~~ curtain. But with Stranahan we are now behind the curtain and with this testimony we own the ground. ~~the~~ Stranahan leaves for up country to day. When he returns we will take his testimony. Ponderate has been in and wants to see

you very much when you come down he will talk and have his say with you and you alone

Enclosed you will find two letters received this morning from Knoxville & Austin

Yours &c

W. C. Lewis

Parrish has a letter from Austin the Barron says he has the lands. We have settled the crown Point with the title & he gives us fifteen feet free of which we give Proche making two feet clear profit on an investment of five hundred dollars

San Francisco Mich 21st 1864

Dear George

Enclosed you will find a letter from
Joe, in which you will see that he has a much
better opinion of the agricultural lands of Sonora
than of the mines, and it might be well for you
to look at the titles of lands that I have in
this state as they are good and may be worth
your attention. I have in here and some money
has to land out before August next but will not
take much. The runs from the east does not look
much better like having one from the south but to
me they look like becoming more complicated
than ever, and if Sonora give a protection to
Sonora it will be a much more desirable place
to live in than any part south of Canada. I
also enclose you a letter from Renee River which
you can answer from Arizona.

Mr Young of Santa Feing cannot live I
have not heard this morning but last night I was
there and he ^{was} beyond hope. The idea of filling
his place is of importance - and I do not know

of a more fit man than Stung - he knows
all that is wanted and with a good man
up there he could come down here to a
benefit to his health and good for the Com-
pany - what do you think of it

Morning continues very light & will
continue so until after harvest - but very
little Gold is coming down from California mines
Adams is taking a large capital and will
we have returns

I have just got through with
my morning matters and I find it very light
I am sorry you parted company with Hunt
as he arrived on Sunday that had the
market ahead of you as Price sold this
morning @ 250¹/₂ feet & feet - I have had a
talk with Hutton he says the mine never looked
better, he says in going in he went down into
the shaft sunk on the works of N. Roberts &
says his lighters went out mysteriously but
he got one to turn and was surprised at
the wealth that he saw there richer than
he ever saw it in the mine - John's Story
told me the same which if true we have

been humbugged or attempts have been made
to humbug us, now fear this out we do not
want anyone to play us in the hands of
anyone -

I have had a talk with Davis
on Apache Chief he says that he knows
that Tyson had letters from the man he left
informing him that they had in sinking
deeper than the ore richer than ever &
that the mine would surely prove
the richest in the Cañons and that the
work was stopped purposely both in
going down and the mine in hopes that
the Company would buy an expensive
trouble then to buy it up - and unless
you or Parsons went down & made the
new work where you wanted there it
would not be of any use as they have
or would hold it up - this thing agrees
with James as far as he said Tyson had
told him that the mine was fixed up
to sell - The few Davis is coming with us
& do not tell him all

Do not fail to go to Humboldt
over

Earl has been to see me about matters
and I have to inform you that since you
had a talk with him he has given a
second mortgage on his house to Earl
and he has nothing left to secure you
except the house he lives in which is
mortgaged for \$3000 & 13 feet Hole & Norcup
which is pledged with your 3 feet dam
& 3 feet Gould & Henry for 23000 \$ - so if you
take the house & 4000 Stock you will
have to advance the payments 56,000 - for
which you will get back

Mollins House with	35,000
13 feet Hole & Norcup	10,000
	45,000

Your dam 14 ft. I will do this
if I can not do any better as you think
will all go if you do not do it and is
worth at least seven dam 7,500

GH	13,500
	21,000

Making in all

	45,000
	66,000

or a saving of 10,000 \$

Yours &c

L. L. L.

San Francisco Nov 24/64

Dear George

Yours of 22^d came duly to hand
and contents noted -

Superior I have seen the deuter and
they will settle the Bennett title. I have just
seen Heydenfeldt and think I will close it up
tomorrow in the mean time keep your eyes open

It is well understood here that Stung
is to come down and take charge of GH
and Bennett to be Superintendent to carry the
former is the measure with of all deuter
the latter negotiated with Bill & Earl & Lento
will come in to it. I do not want to have
Bennett from Yellow Jacket so take Bill as my
intend with this mine was large

I paid Mr. Apperson 3500 \$ for the
ranch. I was short of money so he 4 feet
of Savage 2500 and will all be ^{six} fine and
if no one else will contribute I will share
it myself

I have had a talk with Bill

about Powell and told him what
you wrote. Stewart had a talk with me
in which he expressed great confidence in
winning it but I don't believe he has the
facts. I told him I would like to have the
business compromised and would entertain
any proposition that I could carry. He is
to see me again - now if we can carry the
compromise by giving the Chukchee River Valley
 $\frac{1}{4}$ and retain $\frac{3}{4}$ I will accept it as I would
rather have 75 feet in this way than 100 feet in
lumber.

I have just seen DeCommes who
informs me that he has seen Lizard who
has received a letter from Apache Chief in
which the news of their striking it very rich
in Copper Silver & Gold is confirmed, and
even if the accounts are exaggerated it is well
worth as much as Santa Fe. I wish that
James was down here I would send him down
with Gorfing & take another look. I am in
hopes that by the next time I write you that I
can inform you that we have settled with
the contractors and that the Camp may have

the mine in their own possession. The news from
Queen City & Leshahump is also good and if
true would well renew my offer to the
New York party. I saw today some ore
from this to day that beats Washoe in
its richness.

How about ~~Stewart~~ Remond
what have you from there would it not
be well for us to clear out our interests
there and concentrate on two points say
Colorado & Washoe.

I bought today another lot of
Great Republic we will soon have it all

The news from Napoleon continues
good

Yours &c
Lunt

See Outthunder about his position in our
Savage suit. Stewart & Holdren are not
treating him right. Make it agreeable to
him

San Francisco Nov 25/64
Dear George

Yours of 22nd & 23rd are at hand
and contents noted. You say write planned you
do the same to me

Your letter to Mrs. Grant I sent
around this morning.

I do not know a word what
Baldwin says about Bennett & Imperials
if I can settle it for 20,000 I will make the
company do it and then get rid of
trouble as the suit will cost more than
this amount.

I have not seen Parsons since I
received your letter with regard to it and
help him along with ^{the} your trade. I will
also look out for a piece of property
the theatre that I spoke to you about
is as good any that has been offered. I
will see what I can do.

The Walton matter I never intended
to touch I only listened for the purpose of

These men are going to be sent with the 6th to they can work in the mountains.

reporting to you how matters stand.

The news from Apache Chief continues good and is worth our attention. - was James here I would send him down with Godfrey to look at this mine & others that we are interested in in the district. - We are much in want of a good man down there.

Charles Feltre was in quite a way he says Motherman the man he sent down to look at a mine back of Mayattan reports that this is the only mine he has ever seen in any country, they have taken it and are now getting up a fifteen Stamp Mills and will ship it on the 1st. - Motherman says that in sixty days after he starts the mine he will send up money enough to pay all the outlay for mine & mills. - he says the extensions can be had for about 50 per foot and he says the reports are as good as original. I told him to see what could be done with it & reports I thought as Joe was down there we could write him and

let him take a look at it.

I am looking at our Rotori matter. I am in hopes of bringing around a compromise. I will get elected a member of the board in place of Young. I told Bell my wife and he will go for it.

The G. & N. board met to day & appointed a committee in place of Strong. There sent telegraphs to have Strong to come down immediately. - You & I are appointed a committee to arrange with Board as to terms & this will leave the place vacant in Yellow Jacket and I have telegraphed Sherman he must take it it is important he should do so. - as Hyatt the Secretary is rather fast and we want one of sterling integrity at the head of affairs.

My regards to all

Truly Yours

Truly

I have no fears of being flush of money for some time to come as a prospect and business taken out as fast as comes in (over)

Of. I am going out of town twice to fill
my brown shoes - do you want them?

Don't fail to go to Humboldt before you
come down as I think there is a hunting
Mr. Hark has just been in saying that
Apperson has gone down by the right old
train and she did not see him before he
left - As I cannot send you any more I
will eat some for you
Yours truly
L. L. L.

San Francisco

March 30/64

Dear George

Nothing from you last night
which makes a blank in my ideas. Yesterday
Gould Henry was fully offered \$4500 and
to day at 4500 & I am sorry that you do
not like the appointment of Bonner. I hope
you will have reason to change your mind.
There is no thing about Bonner you will find
him upon acquaintance to be a very
correct & of more ability than I thought of
when I first made his acquaintance, when
I look back Strong has had to much to do
and his brain has been giving away for a
long time. He must leave there & come down
here and if he recovers his health we will
give him the head of the company here and
with his knowledge of everything over there
he can do us more service than anyone else

Your telegram saying you had been
for 5000 & has been received and will be attended to

nothing new from the Apache Chief since I
wrote you yesterday the second assay of the
Copper will have its tomorrow - I have seen
the rock from Lechate and it looks well
and deserve attention - Col Raymond
will go up this week on Savage Mump
as he was there when the survey was
made he will no doubt be severe to us
He wants to go down to the Colorado he
is poor and we must try to make him
useful to himself and help him a long I
advise him to go up and I want you to
see him and let me know your views about
his going down

We will want 20000 of mine to
come down to make our Savage Mump
this month this much will pass without
me - and we must work to make the usual
dividends hereafter

I had to raise 25000 yesterday
for Leicester and I am kept very busy. I
do not want them to sell as you write so
very encouraging about it - I am satisfied
that unless the mine is worked the dividends

would fall short - we have on hand to day
only 20000 of mine. But must send 20.000
more over before his drafts to make the
connection - From James letter we have
we but not comfortable this should not
be so - I wish you would look at it and
let me know your opinion. The notes we
give from one about to fall due and
I will wait until you come down before
I do anything more about them

Write me as often as you
can

Very regards to James

Truly Yours

Lecky

San Francisco Apr 10 1864

Dear George

I have been very busy in raising money to day to write you much - So Henry Washburn called on me and informed me that the much same men consisting of Belle Stowe & Thompson had accused me of buying North American and that I must give some to them. At the request of Stowe I called upon him and told him that no way or shape or manner was I interested in the purchase of a foot of the stock and he could have all my interest in any purchase that he has ever made for one dollar per foot if they would supply what I had sold @ 150¢ per foot. I have been kept in ignorance in this matter and my good name has suffered more than the money (if any is made) made with amount. George notified me that he was going to leave me I knew that he had lost some money in George and that he was discouraged and wanted a change after finding the accusations made

against me I fortunately called George
in and told him what had occurred
when he informed me that he was under
the same impression and that this was
his cause of dissatisfaction. I only wish
that this was all settled some time
ago. I am sick of this business. Yesterday
I ascertained for the first time that any
thing was going on. and it occurred
in this way. I was in want of money
and made up my mind to sell 100 ft
of the stock and fortunately met Sharn
and told him my wish when he told
me not to do the business unless done
in connection and he offered me money
for my present necessities. after this he
came and told me that the only hitch
was the accusation that I had ~~not~~
bought largely of the stock &c. when
I demanded an interview with the
parties. If the legitimate results of
working as such a basis for business I
want to get out of it.

See how I stand with Sharn &c

was only on Tuesday I am so full of
Sharn's stock &c & I would not have
done this had I been posted I am sick
of this business. Bagley came to me
yesterday and told me that my name
was brought into question on this business
but feeling I was free from taint I did
not for a moment give it thought but
when I heard it direct I thought it was
time to take the matter in hand.

I have a letter from Bob in which
he says he can not meet the dividend
next month. This must not be even
if he has to seek on the river with
hand scudgers see Henry & Frank
I have a consultation and insist upon
the first class as being taken out
without regard to expense and not
to break the connection.

Yours &c
L. B.

San Francisco

Apr 2nd 1864

Dear George

Nothing from you last night
I have just written Bob and told him that
I had shown his letter to Carlton and that
Carlton would have called a meeting of the
Directors had it not been that they were away.
I want you to see Henry & both see Fred
and have an examination and when
Mr. Morrow says he cannot get out the
ores and you know he can put men
at work and take out the ore and
have them worked. I do not want any
more such work and if Mr. Morrow has
worked this mine for the purpose of
selling them buying back he is not the
man for the company.

I am in hopes that George finding
out that I am ~~man~~ not trusted him
with want of confidence that he will
take back what he has said & remain

Henry Rustie did not succeed in working
the ore of Silver City according to his
return the ~~ore~~ from ore contained by assay
55¢ in Gold and 468¢ in Silver total 523¢ for two he
worked 240° and he only got out 31¢ in Gold and
123¢ in Silver to the two of 200° he has saved his
tailings and also about 40° of the ore that he will
experiment upon. The yellow ore assayed by assay
247¢ in Silver and 32¢ in Gold. his workup of 60°
only produced 22¢ in Gold and 60¢ in Silver or 82¢
for two. this convinces me that these scientific lumps
do not understand this business as well as those
engaged in our mills at Washoe.

Belle is not yet through with his second
assay on Apache Chief Copper I will not have
it until Monday next when I will send it
to you

I received a letter from Frank at the
Ranch informing me that Mrs Hunt stayed there
on Thursday last I go down to day with my
family and as soon as we get settled we
will send an invitation to Mrs H

Nothing new, write as often as you
can?

Yours &c
Lusk

San Francisco

April 5th 1864

Dear George

Last night I have brought down
your letter of 1st 28th and I have carefully
noted contents. I am much obliged to you
for your information concerning the title of
Dickinson concerning our interests in Colorado
and before this leaves I intend to have a talk
with Dickinson on this subject. a few more
divides on my part and my babies will
want bread. If Colorado did not look good
they would not want to divide. But the
very favorable accounts from there and they
would take it all. I do not mind working
and hard at that and have all parties
satisfied but when I do not get any credit
and hard feelings when a loss occurs I do
not like it. There is one thing I can show
and that is a clear record and I want
Mr Dickinson to count out where his hand
and then all things equal start a new

Yesterday he interferes with me very much by giving an order to Boley to buy Insurance for him.

I have just had a talk with Dickerson and he says that his only claim is on what was bought prior to May 15th which only includes a few feet of Scholastic and some in Queen City or Apache Chumpea.

I am up to my eyes in business and hope with the change in Insurance that other stocks will look up with it.

I have written to Joe to day to look at the mine spoken of by us. I hardly look for him up this coming steamer.

I am glad to hear you speak so encouraging about Savage and wish I could sell my real estate on City Ship lot and buy some.

Miss Grant was down to day and looks very well she is going down to San Francisco with work when she will come over and see us.

Nothing new in North America, every thing is as the dark before us. We

could have made a great deal of money had we have known and all been proposed others have made money one man told me that he had made fifty feet clear and another who had fifty feet that did not cost 20¢ per foot. This has been done and we have been holding ours and may come out with a loss.

Yours
Leah

San Francisco

Apr 7th 1864

Dear George

Nothing from you last night
I have been kept jumping all day and
have hardly time to write you. Morrow
writes me that you Fred Breunig himself
were going to have a meeting about the
dividends of next month on ~~Edwin~~ Sawyer
and I hope to get your reply to night.
What was done - I have a man with
5000 \$ who wants to go in if I say the
word and is willing to let me have one
half interest and consequently, I do not
want to make a mistake in the matter
when he has offered so kindly to me - so
when you get this write me fully on
the subject.

Inquiry from Bonner's letter I
am satisfied he is the right man in the
right place. Yours

Leah

No. 1.

California State Telegraph Company.

The Public are requested to report, by letter, to the Superintendent, at San Francisco, any cause of dissatisfaction.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS ON WHICH MESSAGES ARE RECEIVED, TRANSMITTED, AND DELIVERED.

The public are notified that, in order to guard against mistakes in the transmission of messages, every message of importance OUGHT to be repeated back, for which service fifty per cent. in addition to the regular tariff will be charged. In case of delay or mistakes on its own lines, this Company will refund the amount paid for sending the message, and no more, unless the message be repeated back, and in that case, the Company will be responsible for actual damage only, to an amount not exceeding fifty times the sum paid for sending the message; but in no case will the Company be responsible for delays arising from interruptions in the working of its telegraphs, nor will it, in any case whatsoever, be responsible for dispatches sent beyond its own lines, or received from other lines.

THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE IS TRANSMITTED AND DELIVERED, SUBJECT TO THE FOREGOING CONDITIONS, AND NOT OTHERWISE.

H. W. CARPENTIER, President.

8
To Geo Hearst San Francisco Jan 22 1864
12 M.

Head arrived and will make
some move on tobacco has
monrours order twenty five 25 for
you have large amount must
Keep me posted am affraid
grain glass cash
28 Feb 5 Wm M Lent

No. 1.

California State Telegraph Company.

The Public are requested to report, by letter, to the Superintendent, at San Francisco, any cause of dissatisfaction.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS ON WHICH MESSAGES ARE RECEIVED, TRANSMITTED, AND DELIVERED.

The public are notified that, in order to guard against neglect or mistakes every message of importance OUGHT to be repeated back, for which service fifty per cent. in addition to the regular tariff will be charged. In case of delay, neglect or mistakes on its own lines, or by its own employees, this Company will refund the amount paid for sending the message, and no more, unless the message be repeated back, and in that case, the Company will be responsible for actual damage only, to an amount not exceeding fifty times the sum paid for sending the message; but in no other case will the Company be in any way liable; and in no case will this Company be responsible for interruptions in the working of its telegraphs, nor will it, in any case whatsoever, be responsible for dispatches sent beyond its own lines, or received from other lines, or for any mistake, fault, omission or misconduct of any other Company or person.

THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE IS TRANSMITTED AND DELIVERED, SUBJECT TO THE FOREGOING CONDITIONS, AND NOT OTHERWISE.

H. W. CARPENTIER, President.

San Fran June 22 1864
8 P M.

To Geo Hearst
Stocks have been very heavy but are
gradually improving have you been
to see the vulcan in Sauto fire
District if so how do you like
it. Joe will give you the
news at Virginia
35 Feb 75 Wm M Lent

No. 1.

California State Telegraph Company.

The Public is requested to report to the Superintendent, at San Francisco, any cause of dissatisfaction.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS ON WHICH MESSAGES ARE RECEIVED, TRANSMITTED AND DELIVERED.

The public is notified that, in order to guard against neglect or mistakes, every message of importance OUGHT to be repeated back, for which service fifty per cent. in addition to the regular tariff will be charged. In case of delay, neglect or mistakes, on its own lines, or by its own employees, this Company will refund the amount paid for sending the message, and no more, unless the message be repeated back, and in that case, the Company will be responsible for actual damage only, to an amount not exceeding fifty times the sum paid for sending the message; but in no other case will the Company be in any way liable; and in no case will this Company be responsible for interruptions in the working of its telegraphs, nor will it, in any case whatsoever, be responsible for dispatches sent beyond its own lines, or received from other lines, or for any mistake, fault, omission or misconduct of any other Company or person.

THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE IS TRANSMITTED AND DELIVERED, SUBJECT TO THE FOREGOING CONDITIONS, AND NOT OTHERWISE.

GEO. S. LADD, Superintendent.

H. W. CARPENTIER, President.

GEO. H. NIMFORD.

To Geo Hearst
Hornmuck have
you drawn on me for have
sent to the Sacramento
pd sent

Alta Printing House.

Live Parson's Dr. Ac. with Wm. H. Lamb.

1864

Dec 31 To Paid Harris Court Oct 12 1864	530
" Interest to date @ 2%	94.23
" Paid Nov. July 22 ^d for Am. debt	346.50
" Interest to date @ 2%	39.85
" " Your 5 th ac. as sent & branch as made up to show Principal Interest	3469.95
" " Your 5 th ac. of "North American" Speculation, received 110 ft & 5 th ac. to be divided	6699.60
" " Your 3 ^d ac. as sent. Receipt 4 ^d Parsons (White Range, Speculation)	12580.32
" " Your 4 th ac. as sent & branch with division of acct. included Principal & Interest	22954.48
" " Your Note as Aug 17 th 1863	2100
" Interest on do 18 th Nov 14 th & 1/2	518.40
	<u>\$49723.63</u>

Cr.

Dec 31 By This amt recd from you July 12 th 1864	10000.
" Interest on do to date @ 2%	3515.33
" " Amt paid by you Mar 11 th 64 in full of "Crown Point"	3625.
" Int on do to date @ 2%	555.83
	<u>24496.16</u>

Balance due this day \$24,927.47

W. H. Lamb
San Francisco Dec 31st 1864

W. H. Lamb
per J. H. Lamb

(over)

1864

Dec 31 To Amount brought forward. 24,927.47
" Cash of 100 shares "Napoleon
" Capital" Stock - June 14. 1864. 7.066
" Amount \$50 pr share July 6th 500
" Interest to date @ 2 1/2%. 986.33 8,552.53

Dec 31. 1864 Balance Due. \$33,479.80

~~Jan 24 " Paid 1/2 of cost of
" Contributed "Stock & 1/2 pr
" belonging to original "not
" not before paid for - say 1/2th
" of 13 1/2 pr North American @ 2 1/2%
26 " Paid Amount on 49 3/5 pr Nth
" American @ 1/2 pr & debit
28 " Paid amount on 4 1/2 pr Nth Sam~~

~~Wm Kent
M E B. Carter
2,545.09
108.43
280.80
2,456.49
33,412.42~~

~~Cr
Jan 27 By Sale of 4 1/2 pr "Sam" @ 220. 1029.50
" Less Com. 12.50. 1,017.
28 " " " 49 3/5 pr Nth American
" - 4 "Sam" - 444.60 1,461.60
3,481.80
33,950.52~~

Levi Parsons Dr^g with Wm. M. Felt

1864

Dec 31	To Balance	as rendered.	\$33,479.80.
Jan 24	"	Yours 1/5th of 1/2 Cast of "Castigated" North American Stock, and 15 ft of original set, not before paid for, 24 1/5th of 137 ft - 27 2/5 ft.	3,543.09
26	"	Paid Assent on 49 2/5 ft "North American" & advertising	108.43
28	"	Paid Assent on 4 1/100 ft "Uncle Sam"	280.80.
Feb 2	"	" " 100 sh "Napoleon Copper" stock & advertising	1201.
Aug 18	"	Paid Assent on 100 sh "Napoleon Copper" stock	500.
Dec 30	"	Yours 1/5th of \$1400 advanced on acc of "Mass" stock	280.
"	"	Interest on $\frac{1}{2}$ c to date @ 1 1/2	5877.45
			\$45,270.87

Cr

1865	Jan 27	By sale of 4 1/100 ft "Uncle Sam" c 220.	1029.50
		Less Comd. 1250.	1.014.
	28	" " 49 2/5 ft "North American" & Sam.	444.60
	Feb 20	" " 3 ft Crown Point c 900	2700.
	21	" " 1 1/8 " do c 950.	1543.75
	Mar 3	" " 5 " "Mass" c 60.	300.
	Apr 7	" " 10 " do c 57 1/2	575.
	Dec 30	Recd from Mass Co, amounts refunded	150.
			\$6,430.35

Balance due this day \$38,540.52

Wm. M. Felt
Dec 30. 1865.

For value recd I hereby assign
transfer the within account
to George Hearst, with full power
to collect & appropriate the same
to his own use.

San Francisco Dec 30th 1865

Wm M. Hunt
by his atty in fact
C. H. Hunt

Chas. H. Hunt

James H. Hunt

2:12

WENT, WILLIAM M.

1867-1868

112/
204
C

San Francisco
Dec 12^o 1867

Friend Remie

Yours of yesterday came duly
to hand & contents noted

When you went away you said
that if we went into this you wanted one
third returned us, I told you that I would find
- send it to you - as my head was up on
Sunday and not hearing anything from
you except your letter of 27th in which you
shadow forth your good opinion of the
mine and the next thing was to make
arrangements for the money. Had I known
what your telegrams of finding would have
been I could have done better - but not
knowing I made arrangements with Roberts
& Heydenfeldt to carry $\frac{1}{3}$ for us - when I
got your dispatch to draw on Mackey
I was in a fix and I after ~~had~~ having
a talk with Sanborn and he informed me
the plans to get a hold of Lincoln Mill
& Orosio in which Mackey would advance
the money and we have one third each
I altered the programme and gave only
 $\frac{1}{6}$ to Roberts $\frac{1}{6}$ to Heydenfeldt and $\frac{1}{2}$ to
you & myself and $\frac{1}{3}$ to Mackey. Sanborn
Sanborn to go right back and attend to it
& Mackey to advance the money as the
deal was made to me and I must

2
do so I made the deal to Perry Sted
60 and thus the matter stands - as the
property stood in my name I wanted it
when no one could be damaged by any
accident to me - By my arrangements you
& myself have secured $\frac{1}{3}$ without any risk
on our parts of raising any money and
have a chance to make more out of the
country - The balance of this world every
find fault with me but I do not want
you to - From what Sanborn informs me
it is a big mine and those that advanced
the money will make a big thing though
no - but at the same time we make a good
thing - up to your arrival at Hunter I had
25000 to pay here & what drafts you might
have drawn - no report from the mine, I did
not dare to wait any longer and I had had
work to make the money arrangements that
I did - had I have waited until Friday night
I could have done better - with the fact that
Goldstein & Sullivan were anxious to back I was
afraid to delay - I done the best I could
under the circumstances

Yours

Wm. L. Lusk

San Francisco
Jan'y 21st 1868

Friend Mack

Enclosed you will find a letter from James which was directed to both of us & leave you to answer on the said proposition.

I also enclose you a letter received from Clever & send you this letter to show you the great difference in men. There is a man that has advanced us 60,000 and has a poor prospect of return and he stands to it like a man - a contrast to others who have a big thing.

Mr Willis told me the conversation about buying the Star & James' office.

When the time came to pay the money on the Mining Star I found that I was to have hard work to make it go - I first went to Ralston and could not get it offering Mr Leach to secure it. He said it was not business to have anything to do with married woman. I then went to Heydenfeldt who was agent for Mr Leach & proposed for him to go in. I told him my hopes and I then went to Geo Roberts and made this proposition that if he Heydenfeldt would go in Heydenfeldt for his debt would put up 10,000 to cover the first loss and then to carry one third for your race. I then divided my half with Clever after the loss (if any) should be on Roman. This was agreed to up to Friday afternoon

2
when Roberts came around and told me that Heydenfeldt backed down from going in. George told me if I could not make any other arrangements he would temporarily help me through at least eight I got your telegram to draw on Mackay for which money I wanted. I took a carriage and went out to Roberts house and showed him your telegram and told him that I could get along by his taking a sixth, when he said that Heydenfeldt would want to come in and he would have to divide his interest with him, I told him that I suppose that you had committed yourself. On Saturday I got 10,000 from Heydenfeldt & 5000 from Roberts & 10,000 from the Bank of California on my note with Roberts' endorsement. This made the 25,000 I paid to the firm for Lewis' interest and Siligman for Woods' interest. On Monday Sanborn arrived when I heard that the draft for 5000 & 2800 would be down next day. Sanborn told me that Mackay had plenty of money and if they could get the Lincoln mill and the Owens or a majority of the stock Mackay would put up the money for us and we would share the same with him. Thus things lasted until you came down - only in the mean time I got Roberts & Heydenfeldt to take each a sixth and give to Sanborn & Mackay each one sixth. Roberts agreed

to it on my going Heydenfeldt fifty feet out
of the water held by them and Sanborn gave
an advance of 5000 of on his interest. I got a
letter from Jamieson expressing a wish to have
fifty feet at the rate of 60.000 of on redeeming
the whole ground I found that there was getting
up quite an excitement and Jams & others were
enquiring about Jamieson whether he would be
down and it was to our interest to secure
him in our interests or others might take him
up and I let him have fifty feet. no one else
complains except yourself which you could
do as my debtor. but I think as a matter of
policy I act as right. I would not ask you
to contribute as I had feared that you was
dissatisfied with what had been done. and
if others would not come forward and con-
tribute to what I desire for the common good
I would not ask him. I got Sanborn to give
fifty feet it was due from Sanborn to Slope
and I urged it as a friend of Slope and at the
same time anxious to have Slope in the company
for his influence and the true friendship that he
has shown to both of us when a friend was useful
and wanted. I have given you the facts of the case
there are many little details that has not advanced
many in my estimation which I shall keep to myself
where there was a doubt they were offered and where
a certainty their promises were most precise

a Mr. Welch one of the owners of the 'Lionathan' came
to day with a letter from Mr. Donaldson. He has 1600
feet of timber north or south of the bridge which for sale he
asks 28¢ I told him that there was no use of offering
at this price. he will go south on Saturday. he ex-
pects a letter from a large owner in the direction
who has in regard if the letter contains any
power I will try to get a bond on it. he has also
the 'John Jacob Astor' which he wants to sell. He
brought down with him a piece of rock from
Running Star Bayd Shaft. he will be in again in
a day or two.

Webb has had one or two talks with one
Mr. Oropius I told him that he could not in
my judgment sell the Oropius in its present shape
for anything near the money he wanted for it
and he has about made up his mind that I
am correct. I have tried him with others
with friendship & fairness and I think that they
are well disposed with our standing and will
be of great service to us in future opportunities

My family are about the same Mrs. L
is a great sufferer and I have visited the
three from her

My regards to her till her I accepted
the dear to such his death but he is welcome

Truly Yours
Leah

San Francisco

March 13 1868

Friend Frank

Since my arrival here I have been very busy, as told Land. Carpenter's will go up to day I have had a long talk with him on changing his fight from the Senate to a fully and surrendering Fairchild's bill and putting the whole matter into the hands of the Friend Comm. - I told him that any promise that you made for me I will carry out - I think that he will accept it. See him as soon as you can. They have been doing a heap of work some useful but I do not think that they can pass the Rice amendment. My idea is to make the law so that all the property inside of the bulk head or the line of 32 foot water - that the whole state will be acted in the bond of Friend Communion, and make Head Center and other owners come in and support the bill. The more I think of it the better I am satisfied that this is the only way that the bill will be carried this winter.

If the Friend Communion are to figure in the bill I had better keep out of the way of Sacramento.

Yours &c. Wm. L. Galt

2113

Went, William M.

1870-1871

12/204
c

Eureka June 19/70

Dear George

After you left I
got a competent person to
go up & measure every pit
and draw samples and
the following is the result

Cutthroat Mine (Goldsblum)

240 tons Carbons \$28.42

1 1/2 " Galena 247.75

Puckey

100 tons Carb 64.29

600 " " ~~75.00~~

150 " " 68.91

30 " " 54.91

120 " " 36.05

100 " " 32.92

600 " Black 60.95

28 " Galena 587.47

1569 1/2 tons all avg 66 1/2

²
In measuring for this
we were very particu-
lar and allowed 13
feet to the ton -

The centurion ore does
not go as high as the
Buckeye -

My dip from the
bullion as it came
from the furnace was
190.00 in Silver & Gold
Total 265

I did not have the
ore assayed for the lead
but will do so - I am
safe in calling it 25%
lead - This in New York
is worth as follows

Gold & Silver	66.00
Lead 500 c. - 5	25.00
one ton of ore with	91.00
bring this in New York	

³
The cost of getting this ore
to New York \$22.00
Cost of working
the same here 25.00
47.50
profit for two 44.00
91.50

This on the 1570 tons or
a profit on the ore and
\$69.080 - nothing less than
100,000 \$ will buy the
mine - in making my
calculations I have been
liberal in my calculations
as you will see I call
the cost of working the
ore 25¢ per ton. and have
calculated 4 tons of ore
to make one ton of
bullion - if it takes less
or than it will cost
more but thus the value
will be ~~the same~~ increased.

Enuka June 20/70

Dear George

I have a bond on the
Puckey property until the 5th of July
to make the bargain I have to
deposit on or before the 5th in the Bank
of California the sum of 25,000\$ and
when the title is perfected 25,000\$ making
50,000\$ - on the first day of September
25,000\$ and on the 1st day of October
25,000\$ the last two payments
to be secured by Bond & mortgage
This is the best that can be done
I want you to make all the haste
you can coming to this place if
you can and taking a second look
at the property and arriving in
San Francisco as early as the
1st of July if possible - on your
arrival at Hamilton write me
Yours
J. M. Lusk

T.T.1.

The Central Pacific Division

OF THE

Atlantic and Pacific Telegraph Company.

The rules of this Company require that all messages received for transmission shall be written on the message blanks of the Company, under and subject to the conditions printed thereon, which conditions have been agreed to by the sender of the following message.

LELAND STANFORD, President.

F. L. VANDENBURGH, Gen'l Sup't.
San Francisco.

Palmside 12 1870

Received at St. Luc 12 1870 2⁴⁰ P.M.

To Geo Hearst

See Garrett & take
three fourths of
butte. Get our interest
with Earl. Things at
the mountain look well
Yours in Lent

19 calls 100

Please Answer by this Line.

T.T.I.

The Central Pacific Division
OF THE
Atlantic and Pacific Telegraph Company.

The rules of this Company require that all messages received for transmission shall be written on the message blanks of the Company, under and subject to the conditions printed thereon, which conditions have been agreed to by the sender of the following message.

LELAND STANFORD, President.

F. L. VANDENBURGH, Gen'l Sup't,
San Francisco.

Pattle Mountain 16 1870

Received at

San Francisco Dec 16 1870 6:40 P

Geo Hearst

Mac Lane left with Janin for
Galena I sent your dispatch to him by
express with a letter telling him that I
was ready to put up the money - I will
do my best to carry out your ideas -
Mac Lane will no doubt be here in the
morning let Mason take what he
wants & we together will carry one tenth $\frac{1}{10}$
for Garrett & give him the superintendency they
have not closed the sale as Gash was
offered one third $\frac{1}{3}$ today this latter private -
we will have to divide with Dodge &
give Janin some -
94 Cal 50000 Wm Lent

The Western Union Telegraph Company.

Pacific Division.

The rules of this Company require that all messages received for transmission, shall be written on the message blanks of the Company, under and subject to the conditions printed thereon, which conditions have been agreed to, by the sender of the following message.

WM. ORTON, President, New York.
O. H. PALMER, Secretary, New York.

G. H. MUMFORD, General Agent, San Francisco.
JAS. GAMBLE, General Sup't, San Francisco.

Pattle Mountain Dec 16 1870

Received at San Francisco

16 18

7:30 P M.

To

Geo Hearst

As I telegraphed Janin
& Dodge will want some we
do not want less than six
months this will give mason
two garrett one & we the
balance - I am willing to
give mason the management
if that is what he wants
prolong negotiations until
tomorrow noon

Wm Lent

Wm Lent

T.T.1.

The Central Pacific Division

OF THE

Atlantic and Pacific Telegraph Company.

The rules of this Company require that all messages received for transmission shall be written on the message blanks of the Company, under and subject to the conditions printed thereon, which conditions have been agreed to by the sender of the following message.

LELAND STANFORD, President.

F. L. VANDENBURGH, Gen'l Sup't,
San Francisco.

Received at *Butte Mountain*
S.F. Dec 17 187 12¹⁰ P.
To Geo. Hearst
Accept the proposition of
⁴⁹
four months at rate of eighty
^{80 000}
thousand dollars and save me all
any complications answer
immediately subject to Danin's
report

Wm M Lent

23 Collect 125

The Western Union Telegraph Company.

Pacific Division.

The rules of this Company require that all messages received for transmission, shall be written on the message blanks of the Company, under and subject to the conditions printed thereon, which conditions have been agreed to, by the sender of the following message.

WM. ORTON, President, } New York.
O. H. PALMER, Secretary, }

G. H. MUMFORD, General Agent, } San Francisco.
JAS. GAMBLE, General Supt, }

San Francisco Aug 17 1871

Received at

Aug 17 1871 9/10 M.

To Geo Hearst

*Will protect the stock
on your account Do you
know anything about
Philly Boy & John W
Mines*

Wm M Lent

*1/2 paid
me*

OFFICE---Next door to First National Bank,
MAIN STREET, SALT LAKE CITY.

George Hearst.

Dr. a/c with

William M. Lento

Co.

Dr.

1870.

June 25.	To Cash Paid G. H.			300	.
July 5.	" " Draft G. H. on W. M. L.			100	.
	" Expenses to Mines of W. M. L.			200	.
	" Cash Paid Bank of California.			25.000	.
16.	" " telegraphed to John Cahill \$2.000.			2.031	25
25.	" " Paid V. C. Bateman & Co.			6.250	.
	" Bills Payable of W. M. L. as follows: Due Sept 1. 1870.			12.500	.
	" Oct 1. "			12.500	.
	Total Crts of 12.500. Shares "Eureka Consolidated." \$58.881. ²⁵ / ₁₀₀				
Septem 1.	" Cash Paid Bank of Cal for Drafts by G. H. from "Pierce."			1.664	16
	" " " for Telegrams, to date.			20	.
5.	" " " " this day.			8	25
	" " " G. H. prior to departure for Pierce.			500	.
	" " " on orders from John Cahill.			130	.
23.	" " " for Telegrams to date.			47	29
				61.250	86
	By Cash Rec. from W. Lashmiller for 500 "Eureka."	2.500	.		
	" " " " " " " " 300. "	1.500	.	4.000	.
				57.250	86

One Half of \$57.250. ⁴³/₁₀₀ due by George Hearst,

\$28.625. ⁴³/₁₀₀

Dr. By Cash.

Dr.

6.250. "

George Hearst. Dr.

\$22.375. ⁴³/₁₀₀

Interest on \$22.375. ⁴³/₁₀₀ One for per month.

San Francisco, Cal.

September 23rd 1870.

W. M. Lento.
By Wm. Willis.

5880 Shares

2:14

PEARSON, JOHN W.

1869-1872

BUSINESS PARTNER

72/204
C

Statement of J. W. Pearson's assets Jan 1st 1890

Township	S	Range	E	Sections	
"	11	"	16	Sections 2, 3, 5, 8, 9, 10, 16, 17.	= 5 3/4
"	13	"	18	" 16	= 1
"	"	"	14	" 36	= 1
"	13	"	19	" 5, 1/2 6, 7, 8, 15, 22, 23.	= 6 1/2
"	14	"	13	" 16, 36.	= 2
"	"	"	14	{1, 2, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 16}	= 16
"	"	"	15	{22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 35, 36}	= 16
"	"	"	15	{5/16 15, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35}	= 13 3/16
"	"	"	17	" 22, 27, 28, 33, 34	= 5
"	"	"	18	" 30, 31, 1/2 32,	= 2 1/2
"	"	"	21	" 26	= 1
"	15	"	17	" 11	= 1
"	"	"	18	" 1/2 5,	= 1/2
"	"	"	19	" 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 1/2 11, 13, 14,	= 19 1/2
"	"	"	20	15, 17, 18, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32, 34	= 2
"	"	"	21	" 24, 26.	= 10
"	16	"	19	" 2, 4, 6	= 3

89 15/16

being 57,560 acres @ 3⁰⁰

Miscellaneous Property. Swamp Land 5000 " " " 172680.00
15000.00
187680.00

6th A. F. Williams 2000
" A. S. Gould 1000
" C. A. Pollard 6080. 9080 @ 3⁰⁰ 27240.00
\$ 160,440.00

Oakland Point 6000.00

Mission 6000.00

Bills Receivable 40000.00

Ryan Property 4000.00

216,440.00

Bills Payable 27000.00

\$ 189,440.00

Fuguey Property to belong to J. W. P.

Hearst's Int^l in balance

Money put in property by Hearst } 14680.00
paid in 1850. drawn out 3820 }

Thy Ino C. Earle \$6500. one half 3250.00

\$ 1743000 11930 00

Statement by me and quite correct as I believe

J. W. Pearson,

Valuation Jan 1/70
in a/c with G. Hearst

This Agreement and articles of Limited Copart-
nership entered ^{into} on this Fifteenth (15th) day of May
A. D. 1872. Eighteen hundred and seventy two. By and
Between John W. Pearson and George Hearst, both
of the city and county of San Francisco in the State
of California, Witnesseth. That whereas said
J. W. Pearson and G. Hearst, for the past several
years have been doing business, more or less, together
under the name of John W. Pearson; and, whereas
they are both interested in the real estate and
other business heretofore transacted, and now being
transacted by said Pearson; and whereas the interest
of said Hearst therein has not heretofore been fully
defined; and he has not been fully identified with,
and recognized in said business transactions of said
Pearson; and whereas they both believe it to be for
their best interest, jointly and severally, that they
shall from this date forward enter into, fully,
mutually, jointly and equally, all the business
transactions of said Pearson; Now therefore
in consideration of the premises, and of one (\$1.⁰⁰)
dollar to each by the other in hand paid, and
hereby receipted for. Know all men by these
presents, that they have this day entered ^{into} and
do hereby enter into and form a Limited
copartnership under the firm name of Pearson
and Hearst, for the transaction of any business
that they jointly, or that said Pearson, may choose.

Valuation Jan 1/70
in a/c with G. Hearst

to transact, or do, for their joint benefit, profit, or loss. That the term of duration of said Limited Copartnership shall be till mutually dissolved by them, or till the decease of either; and the closing up of such Limited copartnership by the survivor, and the heirs of the deceased with the aid of a chosen representative by said heirs; all of whom shall close up in a manner and time said partnership for the very best interest of all concerned; or continue the same; if they mutually so elect to do. That their principal place of business shall be in the city of San Francisco, in the state of California. That said Pearson shall be the principal business man and manager for the copartnership, and shall transact all business for the copartnership, and in the firm name, which he is fully authorized to sign; and shall keep, or have kept, by a thoroughly competent and reliable bookkeeper and accountant, at all times, a full and complete set of books, showing the entire transactions of the firm, and shall render a statement as often as reasonably required by either party, showing the true and exact condition of the copartnership affairs, and that said Pearson shall give his entire time and attention to the management of the copartnership affairs, and shall receive therefor from the copartnership, as salary, Five thousand (\$5000⁰⁰) dollars U. S. gold coin per annum.

That said Hearst shall give the actual necessary

Valuation Jan 1/70
in a/c with G. Hunt

time and attention to the copartnership affairs to consult and advise with said Pearson, when required to do so, as to copartnership business. That the Capital, upon which the copartnership is formed, and which is furnished, half and half by each, is of the aggregated value of

and consists of the various real and personal property, and bills receivable, less bills payable, in this, and their other copartnership books, as per entries and appraised values, up to this date, and as per balance sheet of this date, shewing the same; a copy of which is held by each party hereto. That any capital hereafter put into said copartnership shall be furnished by both parties hereto, share and share alike, and so shall all profits be divided between them, and any capital hereafter put in by either, or any capital drawn out by either

That no liability, by the endorsement of notes, contracts, or other obligations, or otherwise, shall be hereafter incurred, or made, against the copartnership, by either partner; except such liability, or obligation, grow out of, and is a part of some business transaction of said firm.

shall be either charged against, or credited to, him, as the case may be. That all liabilities of said Pearson growing out of business transactions to this date, shall be, and are hereby, assumed by the copartnership; and all profits growing out of the same shall inure to the benefit of the copartnership. That either partner may at any time hereafter close the copartnership for good and sufficient cause by placing a price and terms of payment upon the copartnership property at which he will either sell his interest, or purchase that of the other partner giving the option

Valuation Jan 1/70
in a/c with G. Hebert

to buy or sell to said other partner; but that until such, or some other dissolution of this copartnership shall take place hereunder, all business, of every name nature or kind, transacted by said Pearson, as general business man, and manager of the affairs of said firm, shall be, in all respects, as fully and completely binding upon the Copartnership; and each member thereof, as though transacted, approved and signed by both. And, in conclusion, it is hereby mutually understood, and agreed, by and between both parties hereto in the name of true friendship, and all that is honorable that when either shall decease the other while living shall, aside from all obligations taken upon him in this covenant, kindly and carefully look after the best interests of the family of the deceased, and do all in his power to honestly advise, protect, and (if need be) materially aid them.

Signed, sealed and entered into
on the day, and year first above written.

Our total Expenditures \$ 28,000.

Collected from Assessments 15,000.

Templeton Assessed 7000.

Cash from New Company 6000. 28,000.

Templeton should have been assessed only 5000\$ as that was all any other shareholder had paid to the 1/4 interest - hence the Pacific Wood Company were short \$2000. which had to be made up by assessments which was collected as follows

From Templeton	500.	
" Polinger	500.	
" Pearson	250.	
" Moore	250.	
" Hearst	500	2000.\$

1869

Jan 19	To Cash	100.
Feb 19	" " by Cap. Lang	100
" 26	" " "	5.
" 31	" " Mr Rhodes	15.
Apr 6	" " Main's chuk	300.
June 8	" " $\frac{1}{2}$ books note	12.57
Aug 21	" " Mr Pleasant	50.
" 10	" " "	50.
Sept 16	" " Mr Pleasant	40.
22	" " "	10.
Oct 8	" " "	500
13	" " "	15.
20	" " to Ham Ho	500.
21	" " "	2000.
Nov 4	" " "	10.

By Cash Debit	8000.
" Lots Chapman	4500.
" Cash Pearson	6000
To Balance	14680.

18500

18.500

10.57

59.37

By Balance

14680.

4100
6500
+10600

18500
14680
3820
280
4100

Statement of
G. Hearst &
with J. M. B.

Mr Geo Hearst will
please transfer to Ed Fry an
undivided one fourth (1/4) inter-
est in the Baldwin Contract
as security for the payment to
him of \$5000# borrowed of him
in paying for the same as per
agreement. S. Y. 8th 15th 1896
J. M. Pearson

2:15

STUMP, IRWIN C.

1890

HEARST'S BUSINESS MANAGER

72/204

C

J. B. Haggins
50 Nevada Block.

San Francisco, Cal. Feb 27th 1890

My dear Senator

I regret to learn from a note received from Wightman that you were somewhat under the weather and confined to the house. I hope you are at the present writing in splendid health and able to give battle for the interests of the Coast. Since you left for Washington matters here have moved along quietly - business of all kinds more or less paralyzed by continuous rains during the entire winter. I presume it is safe to say that money matters was never before so tight with everybody rich and poor as they have been for the past ninety days, but with ^{the} advent of Spring and more agreeable weather we all look for better times. We have been fearfully strained for Corn - and had to do some tall scratching to keep things moving - with the Anaconda drawing from \$100,000 to \$200,000 more than she was

J. B. Haggins
50 Nevada Block.

San Francisco, Cal. 188

earning - the British roads blocked so that their base ore could not be hauled to the sampler - the Yuba hedged in by snow - the Sheep Ranch filled with water (now pumped out) was a combination that it was hard to buck against.

Wheeler finally consummated the sale of the small ranch in San Luis Obispo for \$8000 - the price named by yourself and has paid the money therefor. Van Gordon will give possession in a short time - as it is at present occupied by a man who rented it for \$200 per year.

Dr. Ross has taken his horse up to Sacramento to stand during the season & Van Gordon is to bring up in a few days 8 mares to breed. I did not let Ross have any more money - because a letter received from his brother in Australia claims that the horse belongs to him and not to his brother, ^{the Dr.} & that he intended to institute legal proceedings to recover the horse. So that if we had a bill

J. B. Haggins
50 Nevada Block.

3

San Francisco, Cal. _____ 188

Salv - we might be buying a law-suit. According to Dr. Ross statement of account he owes you only \$395 - and promised that he would write to you to that effect.

Will new man to take charge of the business management of the "Examiner" will be here by tomorrow or next day, and judging from his appearance and the way he talks I think he will prove a good man. His name is Palmer - he hails from St Paul. Salary \$10,000 per year.

The "Examiner" is not paying yet, but "Palmer" says it should - will if he is let alone.

Will seems somewhat discouraged that the paper is not making money now, but I hope that before long it will be as he desires.

Dr Latham was instructed some time ago to send you the wine and he promised to do so, but he seems to have neglected the matter & I have gone after him again very

J. B. Haggins
50 Nevada Block.

4

San Francisco, Cal. _____ 188

sharply. I am getting somewhat tired of the doctor - but hope he may improve.

I have rented the fruit orchard near Linnel for \$25000 so that is off our hands for a year. I'm now trying to rent the grazing land adjoining but thus far have not succeeded.

The Chrome papers sent were sent up for Records as requested.

I presume Mr. Lewis is now in Washington looking after Seal Fishery contract.

Sincerely yours
J. B. Haggins

J. B. Haggins
50 Nevada Block.

San Francisco, Cal. Feb 27 1890

Dear Senator

Since writing you this morning another matter has occurred to me which I desire to speak of. Before you left we were talking to Jarpey about a scheme to start works in Butcherstown to control the Ceres Head, Dipe & other aff. He expected to get a monopoly of the business by getting the Butchers to all sign an agreement to sell him exclusively the aff. from Ceres, Calves, Sheep &c - but in this he failed - Miller & Sax the principal Butchers declining - & others made their signature dependant on Jarpey's getting Miller & Sax signature.

Jarpey now wants to buy out those in the business - or rather some of the principal ones - & he thinks by so doing he can then control the business - perhaps he could - but I regard it as very uncertain. He is depending or hoping for us to join him in this scheme. I do not want to do it & I would like for you or a receipt of this letter to telegraph me as follows!

over

J. B. Haggins
50 Nevada Block.

San Francisco, Cal. _____ 188

"If Jarpey gets Butcher to sign his agreement join him in enterprise. If he cannot do nothing till you hear from me"

Yours truly
J. B. Haggins

COPY

San Francisco, Mch. 22nd, 1890

My Dear Senator,

Will returned yesterday all well, and we had a full talk over his matters as well as yours, and that you may understand how your money goes I send you herewith a Statement showing amount drawn during the months of January and February, and for this month the disbursements will be equally as large, as Parson's drafts came in the early part of this month for \$41,000 for money drawn by you in New York and Verger draws for \$15,000 balance due on the Mexican Bonds purchased. From the foregoing you will observe that you are spending money at the rate of near one million dollars per year, more than your income and while money matters are so tight with Mr. Haggin, it does seem to me that you cannot afford to embarrass yourself by going into new speculations. For God's sake you have enough already without straining matters to obtain more. Besides all this you know that the "Examiner" will require a great deal of money in a short time or it must stop. There is one of two things, you must go slow in your expenditures or you must commence selling property to keep up.

Mind you I have no reason to complain- except to protect you, and to that extent I deem it my duty to speak plainly for your own good. Do not allow the persuasive eloquence of your

friends to lead you into new adventures no matter how promising they may be. The house in Washington must be finished- the Brewer Mine Mill must be completed and paid for. The racing stable expenses will go on until you dispose of it- the Examiner property must be protected. The Ranch properties must be maintained- Verger adventure must be carried to completion- your Washington expenses must be provided for- the Equipment of the Mexican Mine (Wilson) must be attended to. All these properties need our fostering care for another year, when the pressure will be over and until that time all your income will be required for these properties- leaving nothing for outside adventures- no matter how seductive or promising.

What I have said must be my excuse for telegraphing as I did yesterday.

Sincerely your friend,

John C. Thompson

EXPENDITURES OF GEO HEARST DURING JAN & FEB. 1890

San Mateo Marsh Lands	121.10
Rancho Piedra Blanco	9697.88
P. E Hearst	24021.50
W. R. Hearst	5079 70
Alameda Co. Lands	2409.04
Bills Receivable	145.
Fresno Co. Lands	196.80
Ida Neal	1291.36
Examiner Pub. Co.	39227.39
Racing Stable	10445.
Mexican Land (Follansbee)	2983.35
J. A. Verger	1200.
Texas Land (Cleveland)	217.80
Brewer Mine	8500.
Tulare Co. Land (R. P. Hammond)	355.36
" " " W. H. Hammond	95.20
Palermo L & W. Co., Stock	4166
Madrone Vineyard	2584.66
Palermo Orchard	9371.47
Petty Expenses (N. Y. & S. F.)	4088.05
Chrome Mine	30.95
Washington Residence	19123.38
S. F. Real Estate Taxes	1481.44
	149161.43

2:16

Tevis, LLOYD

1870-1871

72/204
c

San Francisco. July 27. 1870

Mr Geo Hearsh

Amador.

Dear Hearsh.

The parties to whom is owing
the \$50,000. but purchase money on the

Buckeye claim are willing to sell the same
at a large discount - \$25,000. is due Feb
1st of \$25,000. Oct 1st. Leub is anxious to
take it up so as to save the discount & can
raise all the money except \$25,000. which
he wishes to borrow of me - He has shown
me a statement of his account with you in
this matter as made out by Wells, & which
shows that after deducting the \$6,200. which
you pd him the other day, & after he has
paid yr part of the \$50,000. above referred to,
- you will owe him about \$21,000. He has
explained the whole thing to me & I am of
opinion that it is best to take up the \$50,000
on the terms proposed. & to aid in this am
willing to loan him \$25,000. as desired,
taking all the stock including Thompson
& Co's as security. - provided I can make the
loan on yr & Leub's note. But I don't wish
to interfere in any way as between you
& Leub or your accounts. By this arrangement
you will get the benefit with him of the

discount, that is I take it for granted
that you will, as you are thus asked
in furnishing the money to make the
transaction, -

I told Ruth I would write to you
and we advance the money as suggested
if you desired it - do please telegraph
me without fail on receipt of this.
without delay - If you approve
say "Make the transaction" -

your friend
Lloyd Davis

Blank No. 1.

THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

The rules of this Company require that all messages received for transmission, shall be written on the message blanks of the Company, under and subject to the conditions printed thereon, which conditions have been agreed to by the sender of the following message.

ANSON STAGER, Gen'l Sup't,
CHICAGO, ILL.

WILLIAM ORTON, Pres't,
O. H. PALMER, Sec'y, } NEW YORK.

Dated San Francisco Aug 18th 1891
Received at 330 pm " "
To Geo. Beane

Your telegram to Willis
looks like Phoenix
number two. Do you
know anything. all
our information is favorable
Think you had better
go to Eureka

Lloyd Davis

25 Fair
Box

Office, next door to First National Bank,
Main Street, Salt Lake City.

No. 1.

The Western Union Telegraph Company.
Pacific Division.

The rules of this Company require that all messages received for transmission, shall be written on the message blanks of the Company, under and subject to the conditions printed thereon, which conditions have been agreed to, by the sender of the following message.

WM. ORTON, President, } New York.
O. H. PALMER, Secretary.

G. H. MUMFORD, General Agent, } San Francisco.
JAS. GAMBLE, General Sup't.

San Fran 13 Sept 1871
6:45 P.M.

Received at

To Geo Hearst

Pioche via Ham
Raymond kindly two look
into meadow valley and
telegram me whether to
hold Buy or sell
Lloyd Tevis

16 Frank 8

\$1500 Answer Dec
9

No. 1.

The Western Union Telegraph Company.
Pacific Division.

The rules of this Company require that all messages received for transmission, shall be written on the message blanks of the Company, under and subject to the conditions printed thereon, which conditions have been agreed to, by the sender of the following message.

WM. ORTON, President, } New York.
O. H. PALMER, Secretary.

G. H. MUMFORD, General Agent, } San Francisco.
JAS. GAMBLE, General Sup't.

San Fran Sept 21 1871

Received at

To Geo Hearst

Care to W. L. Reyes

Have about five thousand
shares yours and mine
left examine thoroughly
and advise by telegraph

Lloyd Tevis

15 Sept

99

The Western Union Telegraph Company.

Pacific Division.

The rules of this Company require that all messages received for transmission, shall be written on the message blanks of the Company, under and subject to the conditions printed thereon, which conditions have been agreed to, by the sender of the following message.

WM. ORTON, President, } New York.
O. H. PALMER, Secretary.

G. H. MUMFORD, General Agent, } San Francisco.
JAS. GAMBLE, General Sup't.

San Fran Sept 22 1877

Received at

Eureka 22 1877 1:50 P.M.

To

Geo Hearst

Care W. S. Keyes

Is it advisable to sell
Raymond and Ely at
Seventy answer immedi-
ately as to that and Eureka

Lloyd Tevis

17 Frank &
GJ

The Western Union Telegraph Company.

Pacific Division.

The rules of this Company require that all messages received for transmission, shall be written on the message blanks of the Company, under and subject to the conditions printed thereon, which conditions have been agreed to, by the sender of the following message.

WM. ORTON, President, } New York.
O. H. PALMER, Secretary.

G. H. MUMFORD, General Agent, } San Francisco.
JAS. GAMBLE, General Sup't.

San Fran Sept 26 1877

Received at

Eureka 26 1877 10:55 A.M.

To

Geo Hearst

Have sold down to three
thousand shares joint
account. Shall I con-
tinue to sell or buy
back

Lloyd Tevis

17 Frank &
GJ

The Western Union Telegraph Company.

Pacific Division.

The rules of this Company require that all messages received for transmission, shall be written on the message blanks of the Company, under and subject to the conditions printed thereon, which conditions have been agreed to by the sender of the following message.

WM. ORTON, President,
O. H. PALMER, Secretary. } New York.

G. H. MUMFORD, General Agent, } San Francisco.
JAS. GAMBLE, General Sup't.

San Fran Sept 26 1871

Received at Eureka 26 1871 10⁴⁰a M.

To W. S. Keyes
Or Geo Heart

An Englishman who
recently assisted in survey
Richmond tells me that
all their rich ore is
on our ground is this
possible Lloyd Lewis
22 frank 6
99

Geo Heart
We have this day placed
D. C. of ofc Haggren & Lewis \$2000.
Ordered on 1 Bay View Land.
W. C. of C. to
A. H. M.
Book

2:17

REED, SILAS

1872 - 1877

72/204
c

Evansville, Wyoming
Nov. 14th 72

Dear Hearst,

I see by the Cal^a
Alta of 12th a Telegram
from Salt Lake about
the finding of Diamonds
by your Company -

I learn here that
Clarence King is on
his way back & that
Genl. Culver is to
be here to - tomorrow
& large preparations
are made to go
from Black Butte
South - The late
news has stirred
up the local Co. it
just as I feared,
~~it would~~ ~~take~~ &
hold possession

²
all winter, as I
predicted they
would - I will
stop here to night,
till I hear from
you - Some are to
go by St. Bridger
It shows that they
are in dead earnest
& that there is no
mistake as to the
value they place
on the locations.
You have now
to stir yourself
if I thought there
was any disposition
to mislead me
about the matter
at Salt Lake I
would not write you
of these prospects,

3

but prepare to go
in soon after these
men - & take pos-
session of my
share of ground.

You will now
have to take
possession, or
risk losing what
has been done.

You will find
that constant
possession will
be held by the Cal^a
Co - from this time
forward - & they
will fight off
intruders as best
they can.

You must let
me know whether

4

I am to be counted
in - & on what
terms - or I shall
lay my own plans,
which shall not,
of course, conflict
with your Co -

There is no room
enough for us
all there. I have
no doubt -

Truly Yours
Silas Reed

I leave for St. Louis & Boston on Saty 7th

him to suppose, by any word
or act, that I mistrusted
their errand - or knew,
as I did, all their plans.

So I at once fitted out
& started two men familiar
with that locality, & put
them on their trail to make
certain of the exact locality,
- for I was bound to know
& judge for myself, whether
it was the gigantic fraud
it appeared to be. There
ought to be some diamonds
(geologically speaking) along
the base of those mountains,
but this location is too far
from their base, to contain them.

The paper's exposure came
here yesterday from San. Frisco

It is terrible to Contemplate,

Can't you send me a copy
of Jarvis's report?

With sincere regards to
Mrs. Hearst & a kind word for
Master Willie. I remain yours
Silas Reed

Chyenne W. T.
Dec^r 2nd '72

George Hearst Esq
San Francisco.

Dear Friend

On my return
here from Rock Spring
on the 21st I found your
letter of 17th from Salt Lake

I fear that in my hurry
of writing that pencil note
at Evanston, I did not
express myself as fully or
clearly as I ought to have done.

Whatever I said was directed
to the suspicion that Mr. Berry
was not frank or honest
in his intimation that the
Diamond matter was a fraud.

If he had said he met Co.
King, who gave his opinion
to this import. I would

Tell Mrs. Weenst our address in Boston is 285 Marlboro St. where we hope to hear from her.

not have doubted his conviction of fraud.

I had not the remotest idea of casting any reflection on you in the matter, even if my hasty note conveyed that impression.

I am truly glad that you did not lend your name to the sale of an interest in it - after you heard it was probably a fraud - You could not, as you say in your letter - afford to make money out of what you had reason to believe was not a genuine thing.

I would not like to be in Mr. Janin's shoes just now - How could he have been so badly fooled?

Say to your wife she is a very naughty lady for not letting me know she was in Salt Lake, where I went to see her. I have gone from here to see her.

I came down the R.R. with Colton, King and Janin and 4 or 5 others of the party - Colton enquired where I had been - & if there was talk about diamonds at Salt Lake I told him Mr. Berry had found the Cal. Dia. deposit, & thought of taking some claims next to the others - after he enquired if Mr. Berry had jumped the Cal. claims -

I told him I was positive Mr. B. & party had not done so, & did not intend unfair play.

All the party were shy and reticent - King & Bost knowing me - but avoided me in the day car - Colton sent me back from Black Butte a rather insulting message - after my perfect courtesy towards him - not permitting

Please present my
regards to Mrs ^{Mrs} Hearst
and Willie & Alice,
& Mr. Clark - and excuse
my hurry -

Truly Yours
Silas Reed

Wonder how Jamies & Colton
feel about Diamonds?

St. Louis Mo
Dec^r. 25th. '72

George Hearst Esq
San Francisco, Cal.

My Dear Sir

I have been here
two weeks, very full of business,
& leave for the Genl. Land Office
in a day or two - & reach Boston
early in Jan'y -

Two outsiders have bought
1/2 of our old Stanton Copper
Co. interest, & I filed them with
a copy of the Decree of Court
obtained by Kulligan and
Inge against you & Patton's
heirs in Apl. 1863 - It is
very severe on you, charging
that you conspired to Patton
to "defraud your Creditors"
&c. &c.

It is thought you can
break it up - & I so told
you a year ago -

The Decree Covers all
the lands you sold us,
& we will have to see
to break this up - or you
will be called upon by
these new men at once
to make good your
Warranty - I am told
that Inge is at war with
Halligan, & would help
to break it up -

Something must be done
& suit brot. before 1st of
March - or the Decree cannot
be broken, as the 10 years are
nearly expired -

You ought to give some
one full power of Atty
to act for you & bring suit

It is your duty to your
son Millie - to wipe that
Decree against you off
the Court record of your
native county - Halligan
has sold the Judith Spring
Copper tract entire, as his,
& given warrants deed to
B. Thurmond - He would
hold the "Hearst Mine" under
the execution against your
father's Estate, if you do not
act vigorously - & we lose
it - Mr. Stone is dead, & I had
a letter yesterday, from her at
Boston, about this Decree

Geo Elliott says Judge Hank
has some papers that, could
aid much in defeating Halligan,

Write me at once to
285, Marlboro' St. Boston,
what you will do about it

I scrawl
in haste

St. Louis, Mo.
Apr. 21. '75

Geo. Hearst Esq

Dear Sir,

Your letter of 31st ult. with
draft for \$250.00 came to Mr. Knox
in my ^{late} absence at St. Louis & Salem,

Mr. Knox feels as I do against Judge
Treat not trying your case, & so have
continued it to Oct. In mean time
I will read over what further Ings
& Halligan swore to since you left
here - & see what is needed in rebuttal.
It may be necessary for you to
come next fall to deny their lies.

I saw Thos. Woodcock last week
& requested him to have Thos. Collins
write me what he knew or knows,
& can take his deposition if necessary.

I hear nothing of the Hunt letter yet,
Seay is judge now - He had to take
it - for if Bealligan had been elected
he ^{Seay} could not have done business
in the Dist - I start back to

Washington tonight, & to Boston
for my wife, & return here & on
to Wyoming - I will write
more of your case when I reach
Cheyenne - We can't afford to
lose it - & will not I think, if Judge
Dillon sits in it - I have told him so,

Thos. Woodcock & B. Thurman are
moving to Utah soon -

Much love to Mrs. Hearst -

Very Truly Yours

Silas Reed

I will pay the surplus
you sent - to yr. attys
if we take no more depositions.

1808 Olive St

St. Louis

Dec 23, '76

George Hearst Esq
San Francisco.

Dear Sir - I found your
letter here on my return from Texas
on the 16th inst - and today we have
appealed your case to U. S. Sup^r Ct,
& I gave bond of \$1000, for costs,
Mrs Hearst left here on 21st

The ^{cost of the} copy of all papers will be large,
& the Atty. & Clerk in court room today
advised me to draw on you
for not less than \$500, which I
have done by draft at sight today,
which will leave here the 26th inst
be 2 or 3 days behind this letter.

I am on the eve of starting
back to Texas - & will write more
on return & send draft for balance
of Atty's fees - Mrs H. will tell you
what I think of your case - Yours
Truly
Silas Reed
Excuse haste,
it is dark.

H. W. LEFFINGWELL,
MARSHAL.

DALLAS & WICHITA RAILROAD.

M. HENDERSON, Contractor.

Dallas, Texas, St. Louis Feb 4th 1877

Geo. Hearst Esq
San Francisco.

Dear Sir - I have not heard from
you or Mrs Hearst since she left here.
I have been in Texas most of the time
since Mrs H. left - Your draft for \$499^{net}
came in due time - that is the amt. the
Bk. Credited me for - I have been
very busy since my return & have
waited also, ever since Mrs Hearst left,
to hear from Seay & Hiskaddeen, whether
they had drawn on you for the balance
claimed to be due them - \$250. - After
Col. Seay became Judge, I had to employ
Mr. Klein for \$50, (he is in Knox's office) to
aid Mr. Knox & Hiskaddeen in preparing
the "Brief" &c for trial - I told Mr. H. is
he ought to deduct this from his & Seay's
fee of \$500. - I wrote him 3 times
this winter about whether he had

When the papers are received for Washington
I will send you a statement of their cost.

These expenses you will get back
if you beat - as you ought to -

drawn on you, & get no answer,
the 3^d time last week. I will wait
no longer for Messrs Tenoy & Holien
need the balance due them -

Statement of account -

By your draft sent to me in 1875 - \$250.00
To amt. due me for advances in 1873 - 131.00
Balance in my hands \$119.00

Aug. 7th To amt. pd 100 printed copies of Argument \$77.50,
To amt. pd Holien Atty. in 1875, (retainer) 25.00
To amt. advanced clerk on costs in 1875 - 25.00
To amt. pd land plats & sundries in trial, ^{preparations} 10.00
To Balance pd Clk U.S. Court - costs 50.30
By Old balance in my hands - \$187.80
Jan'y 1st 1877 To Balance due me - \$119.00
" " Balance due Mr. Tenoy - 100.00
" " Balance due Mr. Holien (atty) 25.00
" " Balance due Mr. Holien (atty) 25.00
Total \$193.80

Feb'y 5th 1877. I draw draft for this \$193.80

I hope my draft for balances due Mr. Tenoy
(on his bill of \$250. total) & Mr. Holien & myself - for
\$193.80, will find you at home in S. F.
& you will respond soon - for I have kept
Messrs Tenoy & Holien waiting to hear from you.

Wish you would write me something
of your success at Ontario mine & mill -
They are all well at Boston - I go to
Tex. as again tomorrow - Also enclose yours
to Mrs. Tenoy - Regards to her & Willie
Truly Yours S. Reed

2:18

MINING CORRESPONDENCE

1860

72/
204
c

Melter & Refiner's Office

U. S. Branch Mint, San Francisco,

14th April 1860

My Dear Hoast

I drop you a hurried line to know whether you would be willing to let me off of that purchase of gold cat? I am satisfied that there is money in it - but since you left here, I have entered into an important operation of another kind, which engrosses so much of my time, that I cannot properly pay that attention to the matter - which is necessary to make any thing of it - A few days after you left - I sold 50 ft of Yankee at \$10. the benefit of which you can have - If you agree to my proposition - or not - telegraph me "yes" or "no" - I would esteem it a great favor & think it would be in my power sooner or later to return the compliment - It is only for the want of time that I make the request.

By the way - how about that ore from the "Washoe" to make that silver goblet - When your Company gets in

full blast - & commence shipping their
ore to this City, either to be worked or sold,
or transported. they will have to 'get'
a good deal of paying done. I am
now prepared to do such things
I would be very happy to have patronage
of the "Washoe Company". Can you manage
this for me -

In haste

Yours very truly &c

L. A. Gamett

2:19

MINING CORRESPONDENCE

1863

72/204
c

Virginia City Jan 28th 1883.

Wm W Leach

Dear Sir

I visited the Gould & Curry Mill yesterday. The mill is entirely stopped and a general cleaning up was going on. I learnt they did not intend starting again until they had finished a ditch they are now running from the mouth of their tunnel to the mill - as the water in the gulch was too dirty for use - they have about 150 men to work on it and it will no doubt be completed in a few days - As near as I can learn their Bars are worth 170 - which shows a very fair yield. I have an idea they have fixed this months dividend as they have not paid any of the mills working for them this week. It cannot be as large next month as they have stopped many of the mills and this mill cannot be depended on for some days. They

Cannot possibly have the 40 Stamps
running for from 2 to 4 months -
If they can get the mill running
regular with 40 stamps they ought
to declare big dividends as long
as their ore will hold out. I
believe the best policy when you have
a big thing sell and give some
one else a chance. It is taking
big chances to pay 3000 per foot
for mining ground and chance
100 per foot dividends for 3 years
to get the principal back. I
believe you can't double faster by
selling on an excitement and laying
back for a depression. I wrote
you in this letter 57 C Bullion was 170
to the oz. - that was what Mr. Garcon
I brought up a small piece which Handberg
says is 191 to the oz. giving a proportionate
saving of silver according to calculation
of Bullion about 38 per cent. our tubs
with pans saves 1.6 per cent of silver and
without pans 95 per cent silver.

Keep me posted on the price of Yellow Jacket
& Savage - Watch Robt Morrill, Nevada
Friends or Savage I suppose its Robt's
intention to know about the claim first.

whether it makes a good shower
not on opening the lead. I think
if there is any show of its dropping
you had better sell mine if not
hold it - till we commence work
over as I think it will then go
up considerably. If the gold
and curry drops any in the next
40 days I think there will be
a great chance for speculation
if they will by that
time be able to do well with
the mill.

Give my love to Mrs. Lusk

Fidly & Truly

Yours Respectfully
W. H. Sedgwick

Los Angeles
May 9th 1863.

G. H. Street Esq.

Dear Sir,

In Jan'y a contract was made (as you are aware), signed by Messrs. May, Porter, Chase, Parsons & myself with J. Skinner to run a Tunnel for the purpose of developing the Los Angeles Lead, for which we agreed to give him eight dollars per foot and furnish the necessary tools, provisions &c. —

Mr. Coit informs me that several of the parties mentioned have disposed of their interests, I enclose you a statement of expenses of the Co. for tools, provisions & freight, showing a balance due Childs & Co. of \$344.94

This amount should be paid if the Company are desirous of continuing the work now an arrangement should be made to avoid in future incurring any indebtedness —

Considerable work was done on the tunnel prior to the making of the contract, which cost me two hundred dollars and have paid as you will see since more than my proportion —

Yrs truly,
J. R. Winston

July 28/863

Virginia City N.T.

Friend Hearst

Dear Sir the time
has elapsed when I promised
to send my family the money
I was speaking to you about
& you started before I got to see
you any thing more about it
but I hope you will not
disappoint me for they may make
all preparations to come & then
not get the money & then they
would be in an awful fix
I want to send it any way
as soon as you can let me have
it & then if they don't come
you will get your money back
so much the sooner but I am
pretty certain they will come as
soon as they get the means I hope
you will not disappoint me but
send it soon & I will give you all
the stock I have got & bind myself
to not draw any from there
until you are paid if you want
I want about \$500. Please send me

The means of getting it soon
we had a large fire here
Sunday burning the white house
near Strongs office & made it
pretty hot for us to keep it from
burning This leaves all well
I remain yours
Gusmith

1867
No View Station Cal Feb 16.
Friend Heart,

I am just in receipt
of your note from Mr Afferson
in reference to putting him up
a waggon in part payment of what
I justly owe you & for which I am
under many obligations to you.
I replied to Mr Afferson in this
way that I had hardly got started
here being once burned out since here
& last fall having to build a new shop
& many other expenses that I had got about
\$800⁰⁰ behind in the City at the places
where I deal & I feared to get much
more stock that I was not going to get any
returns from but I told him if he would
furnish me enough to pay for the stock
I would certainly put him up one & glad
of the chance I told him also I would
do any or all the work in my line
he might need & let it go the same way
as I think he is satisfied that I am
willing to do all I can & now I
want a few words with you I suppose
you have had very bad luck all.

for which I am very sorry indeed
for I have tasted the same ever
since I drove the first nail in
Virginia City but I think now if I
am not crowded to close I will
in the course of 2 or 3 years have a good
business started so I can get even with
the world what I want to say to you
is this I am well aware of the amt I
got of you but Aunt Polly says she
thinks that you ought to be willing to
stand half of his Hagans doctor bill
~~the~~ time she was sick so long in
Virginia & it cost me over \$100. To
have her attended as she is a near relation
of yours & none of mine dont think
I am trying to make this a matter
of compulsion I lay the matter
before you & then you can do as
you choose it was only a matter
of charity & to please Aunt Polly that
I ever took her to raise & I should
not of brought her to this country any
way but she said she felt as near to
her as her own child & I am sending
her to school all of the time just as
one of my own & in Cal children
are very expensive I can count up

since the time she started from
Franklin Co for of seven hundred
dollars I have paid out on her
for traveling sickness & schooling
more than it has cost to raise all of our
children up to the present I just
write you this facts so you can
see what great disadvantages I
have labored under & now you can
use your own discretion about
settling any off I want you to write
me immediately in reference
to the matter & what ever amt
you state I owe you I will
settle with Mr. Afferson by first
making him a wagon & then
what ever he may want but dont
lay this away when you get it &
neglect to answer it but let me hear
at once so I can know how to
work my business to pay it this
leaves all well hoping to find
you & family enjoying the same
keeping

Yours True Friend
G. Smith

San Francisco 8 Sept 1863

Genl Henry S. Bay
Virginia City

My dear Sir

Before this comes to your hand I presume our mutual friend D'Ammonite will have joined you for the purpose of taking a trip to Reese River and the surrounding region; and I sincerely congratulate you upon the fact that you are to have the aid of his very valuable services on an expedition upon which may hinge important results. - I enclose two letters to this address, which please have the kindness to hand to him.

It was with great reluctance that Mr. D. W. entertained the idea of departing for an indefinite time, his prospects in Mexico; but finally yielded his consent to joining you, in obedience to my urgent advice, & your own wishes. And further, I ventured to say to him, that his own interests

would not suffer by his meeting your
views in this instance, but would be
considered, & protected, by you, in the
spirit, ^{of} just liberality.

By his aid too, you would be
able to settle and determine, step by
step, as you progress, the true value
after minerals of the region you propose
to prospect; and will know at the close
of the trip, whether they equal, exceed,
or fall short, of expectation. Should
they equal or exceed your hopes, a new
vast field would be open, where
his services might be of greater import
to you & himself, than any operations he
may have in view in Mexico; and,
on the other hand, should they
disappoint your hopes and expectations,
the projects in Mexico would be
summed with increased interest, and
suffer but little by the delay.

There are some of the considerations

erations I urged upon him - which, I trust,
true to hope, will meet your approval.

Night before last I called to
see Mrs. Hewitt - but she was singing:
thinning out, on a visit to some of the
ladies of the house. I saw and heard
however was in fine health, crowing
& kicking in the nurse's arms. Mr. H.
too was well.

If you have time to drop
me a line from any point you
may reach west in, I shall be happy
to receive one.

Cordially wishing you a
pleasant and successful journey
I am,

Yours very sincerely
J. A. Peck

Virginia Nov 18th 1863

George Hearst Esq.
San Fran

Sir

I arrived here this morning. Left Union on Monday. I wrote you from that place - the letter coming on the same stage with me - this you may get as soon. I mentioned the Shetland - looked about the same not much changed since I last saw it. If I could see you I could explain better the exact condition. Do you think you will do anything in Humboldt. If not I wish you would if possible give me something the first opportunity. I have no money and cannot do anything in this place. I drove on you through Ewing & Washburn for two hundred & fifty \$250 also

Yours Truly
Rawlins

P.S. I brought in a piece of rock
for you from the Shetla weighing -
Sixty five pounds 65# shall I
send by Exp or by Slow post
L.R.
Belanos

Utah Territory
Secretary's Office.

Salt Lake City Aug 26 - 1870

Geo Hearsh Esq
Dear Sir

I returned last night
from Cotton wood. Spent two days
there & visited most of the mines and
found the Camp just like all new places
but little work done. The only mine
opened is thesuma. This shows a very
fine body of ore. They are down 140 ft. at this
point the ore is some thirty ft in width
over head & under foot. They say it assays
from \$150 to \$200 & 10% lead. Very cheap
thing. They sell everything as it comes out.
I think it equals anything in Europe.
The ground on either side is unprospected. I
am going to buy some on one side & locate
on the other. I think there is money in

This Camp, it is only 25 miles from
here, ore is being delivered at Dept
for 19 tons. The best mine to this is
is the Grigley, this shows Carbonates &
is opened in several places. This
mine could be got back of cheap.
and a little work would put it in
good shape to sell.

The Davenport have with some good
ore. This ledge is narrow. They are down
40 ft. I am going to Stockton & Rush
Valley tomorrow & thence again to Cotton
wood, when I will write you more
fully.

Thompson goes down today and
can give you a fuller description of
the mines.

Yours truly,
L. Cawings

2:20 MINING CORRESPONDENCE

1864-1866

72/204
c

Gold Hill July 6th 1887

Friend George Hearst

I want to know if you are willing
to Consolidate the Nevada M Company with the
Sewell & Shapard M Company the terms Mr Curtis
has informed you I presumed. George I want to know
if you are all satisfied there at the 1st Day and if
so I want you to write to me & let me know. Leo
Herman told me to day that he would have to
go to the Range to Mexico & would have to put it
off until he returns the meeting of the Nevada C
after his return which will be (10) ten days
George if every thing is right with the Nevada
Company & the land right to have the Consolidation
can be made & then the claim will be secured to
mine within that range. I can get some of the framed
cheaps some don't know anything about the Consolidation
yet if the Nevada Company wants to back out let
me know in your letter. I want to know your views
& opinions. I will look for an answer from you as
soon as possible. The Machinery in the Sewell &
Shapard Company will be running by this day
week the expected running Monday first but
the foundry keeps them back. I don't want to
open any eye George let some thing from your
Express box. I am
Patience Henry

P.S. Let me know when Sam
Curtis will be at the Hotel. Everything very
quiet here. Nothing doing on City for
some time.

Stentinger
15 per cent

Austin N.T. April 21st 1864

Mr. F. Hearst,
Virginia.

Dear Sir,

Some few days ago Andrew Casamayou, read me a part of one of your letters, by which I have seen my letter has been very long in reaching you.

I am still Mr. Hearst in need of money. I have managed to meet my little engagements up to now but I have only shift it for a short time from one shoulder to the other. I have also given order to sell few shares of stock I have in the vicinity of Gold Hill but I have not yet received an answer and do not know if it can be sold for the present.

52929-9
99-99-99-99
99929-9
999-99-99-99
999-99-99-99

741
563

To Mr. Hearst, if you can
loan me ~~Two~~ hundred dollars
you will oblige me very much,
I may need it for one month or two
only, but I may also not be able to
pay it before next August, by that
time I shall be able to pay you
if I can not sell stock, I will sell
my town lot which is in a good
locality. A Certificate of Deposit
of some San Francisco Bank
would save me 4 per cent of trans-
portation if you had it, but if you
do not have it ~~it~~ does not matter.

Please send to Casamoyou, with
instructions

Yours Truly

P. Holland

Recd Sept. 30 1864

Dear George,

Some man formerly connected with a Philadelphia Co. that done some work on the "Rochester" has been telling the people of New York that they tested the mass years ago and found it worthless. and also told them lots of other stories for which they arraigned me. Now I wish you would scratch your Cabbage a little on dates and write me when the Phil^a. Co. drove that Tunnel into the Rochester? Was it not before the very rich rock was found on the mass? When was it that Prof. Silliman's brother in law came near buying the San Francisco mass, and how much was he to pay for it? and how did it happen that he did not get it? Give me

~~Johnnie Will~~
~~W. Will~~

Gekauft billd
Gekauft

200					
800					
200					
16000					
10000					
200					
30000					
3					

255-2 and 3
6th Cadet Division

$$\begin{array}{r} 1000.5 \\ 500.2 \\ \hline 500.3 \end{array}$$

these items as soon as you can
as the pressure is coming a little heavy.
Also write something about Mrs.
Hearst, Guillaume and yourself.
I wish you all could take a trip down
here to see us. You would find us
rather weather beaten. but I feel
like standing a few son. westers
yet. The climate is the most delightful
here in the world and is having a
good effect on us all. Wife and
babies are now in better health
than they have been since coming
to this lower country. Sincerely,
D. W. Douglas

Ever most heartely Yours
Ch. Strong

Geo. Hearst Esq
San Francisco

Wells Dec. 4. 1864.

Gen: Hurst Esq.

Or Sir

I succeeded
in finding the Murphy Ledge
two miles south of the Original
and located you in it, it ex-
poses out 500 ft is a fine future
vein second to none in Nevada.
A tunnel commencing on the
Northern Boundary following
the Ledge will tap it ere it re-
aches the Southern over 500 feet.
I propose prospecting it forthwith by
a shaft. You will please forward me
\$100 to this place to be expended on it or
through your Agent whom you
will instruct to examine. I have
secured by burying the mine and
all the water flowing through it
now 50 inches also adjacent wood
land.

Respy. Yours

Wm. Murray C.E.

Recorded in Book A
of Twin River Mining Dist.
by J. S. Willard Recorder.

AM

Virginia Dec 10th 1864.

Mr George Hearst.

My Dear Sir. In commencing I
will say I hope you will be up here before this gets
down to your city. I have been detained here much longer
than I expected and fear you will be here about the
time we intended to take our trip up into my burgh
and around Honora. However we may get a favourable
opportunity yet to look at everything we desire.
I wish you was here. Everybody is in a flutter on stocks.
They are dropping and everybody is looking with every eager-
ness to see how bad he is hurt. I went down on yesterday
to look at our Creek Enterprise down six miles. I
went down the Canon to the mouth and found it was
as smooth as a flat iron. There was not even
a load of tailings in the whole gulch to the mouth. -
I proceeded along down on the flat expecting it
to loose itself in the sand. but oh how I was disap-
pointed. I found the Creek runs at present on
bold stream clear to the Conson River. There
must have been a great amount of deposit before
the late storm. but now there is almost none left.
In fact one would have to begin anew and build
a Reservoir as we spoke of. There is no lands
claimed from the mouth of the Canon to you get almost
to the River. The Block work we saw leading off
in the direction of Dayton which we thought was a
Sitch Fence is a graded Road. The sluices we
saw on the side of the Hill near the mouth of the

Canion. and above the garden. Is a Hydraulic
Claim where there is some five miners working
very vigorous for Gold. Sent is still here and
as busy as a Bee in a Jar Barren. I think he dreams
of Senators at night and thinks of South Patosa
by day. to say the least he is very busy. I have got
up a plan for his new mill (45 Stamps) for the Savage
mine. He is very much pleased with it. I have gave the
mill speculation one or two cold dashes, in speaking
to Sent. I don't think much of Building Mills at this time
Everything seems so uncertain. Nor am I quite
certain Sent has concluded to build one. Sam-
Curtis, showed me some very fine ore from the bottom
of his lower shaft this morning. It is useless for me to
say any thing in regard to it you have already heard all
about it. I was down at the Justice a day or two ago
there is not much work done around the new
shaft yet. Not enough to see anything favourable to
the mine. In fact I think it is a dam humbug.
The S. Patosa are fixing up the smelter but they
get along very low. Both parties are at work in
the vein and in the same spot, both parties have
got fighting men, but both are very quiet and have
very little to say to each other. The workmen talk
and chat and stand out of each others way and
appear to be on good terms enough. a stranger could
not tell which men belonged to the Bagazette or
to the Patosa. The thing must come to an end soon
and some how. There is a great amount of bitterness

felt in Virginia against the Ledge for giving such
a decision. It is my impression it will be set
aside by the court in a few days. It seems almost
impossible to tell anything about the two claims
or one as they really are. you could judge only from
the few feet you could see in the breast, where the
men are at work. In fact I thought the claim looked
much better than it does. I was down in the collar just
yesterday morning. I was all through it. They are now 350 feet south
or south west from their shaft. They are still driving
down a fine wide breasted of 45 ft. of very fine pay ore
there seems to be a split or division in the ledge the
West side of the lead for 15 feet wide I think pays very
little. the remainder is very good ore. The claim
certainly looks very fine. I was down in the lary again
but I saw no change for the better. I am almost sure
it must drop soon. The Pump in the central shaft
still keeps at work. but it is too light ever to
pump to do any good on such a deep shaft and
the engine is also too light to do the work. It is
my opinion poor unfortunate of this will have to
get a much better appliance before they ever
prospect that ground. old Moscow still drags her
weary length along. What a humbug of a world this is.

I have got a good deal of information from a man by
the name of Rowe. He once was the Superintendant of the
California Claim. He says there is several thousand tons of good
ore left in that mine. He tells where and all about it.
In fact he is quite a man of sense and I am inclined

Two fresh animals here from Salt
Lake direct and I think that they are
both on to it.

Billy I could write you from this
until tomorrow morning & then not tell
you all the news & of the improvements
going on in this part of the Colorado
River. I do hope that you & May will
not delay one single day longer in fixing
up to come right out after you get this
and I hope this may find you already
to start out with a good outfit.

Let me hear at your earliest convenience
what you are going to do. I must now
close as it is very hot and blowing like
hell. And not a drop of the Cicer to
quench thirst. I believe I have given you
all of the most important items. By
the by are you married yet.

Very truly
Your friend

W. B. Leveck. Esq.
San Bernardino
California

P.S. With all the news
P

Silver Creek
San Francisco Dist
Arizona Territory
Jan 14th 1865.

Dear Leveck,

In my last I omitted telling
you that I re-located the Black Lead in the
same names that I re-located the Roachchilds
and Leviathan in. So include the Black
Lead also in your Deeds from those same
parties as the Roachchilds & Leviathan. All the
Original locations.

In order to have no difficulty in making
these re-locations I had to substitute names
for both Billy Frank & Carlson, having
two claims for me for which I substituted
my friends names in each lead they
promising to deed back the ground to me.
So you see that I own 400 feet in each
the Roachchild Leviathan & Black Leads
with you. When I get my deeds from
those parties I will deed back all of this
ground to you if you so desire it. I do
hope that you will go to work & get your
Deeds all right from those parties and
come out you & May right off prepared
to go to work taking out Ore & piling it up on

Two fresh animals here from Salt Lake direct and I think that they are both on to it.

Billy I could write you from this until tomorrow morning & then not tell you all the news & of the improvements going on in this part of the Colorado River. I do hope that you & May will not delay one single day longer in fixing up to come right out after you get this and I hope this may find you already to start out with a good outfit.

Let me hear at your earliest convenience what you are going to do. I must now close as it is very cold and blowing like hell. And not a drop of the water to quench thirst. I believe I have given you all of the most important items. By the by are you married yet.

Very truly
Your friend

W. R. Leitch. Esq.

San Bernardino
California

W. J. Pindexter

P.S. With all the news

R

Silver Creek
San Francisco Dist
Arizona Territory
Jan 14th 1865.

Dear Leitch,

In my last I omitted telling you that I re-located the Black Lead in the same names that I re-located the Roachchilds and Leviathan in. So include the Black Lead also in your Deeds from those same parties as the Roachchilds & Leviathan. All the Original locations.

In order to have no difficulty in making these re-locations I had to substitute names for both Billy Frank & Carlson. Having two claims for me for which I substituted my friends names in each lead they promising to deed back the ground to me. So you see that I own 400 feet in each the Roachchild Leviathan & Black Leads with you. When I get my deeds from those parties I will deed back all of this ground to you if you so desire it. I do hope that you will go to work & get your Deeds all right from those parties and come out you & May right off prepared to go to work taking out Ore & piling it up on

the River bank. Harry will advance one
hundred dollars for good ore delivered on
the River bank. What better thing could
any one want. I do hope that you and
May will consider this thing wisely and
come out right away prepared to go to
work at this. For I tell you its the best
thing & only thing in the country to make
ready & quick money out of.
Come prepared with tools of every kind
for the business and provisions for at
least for months & even a longer time
if possible. Sell out your Claim on
Lightning Creek & every thing & come along
bring a full set of Blacksmiths tools
that is ~~the~~ Bellows Anvill Tongs Ham-
mers Powder Forge &c &c -

Harry has plenty of the above articles
but they are very high & costly here.
I have relocated the 1st north east ~~an~~
-sion of the Leviathan. It was going
to be jumped by others and I liked
the ground & thought that I might as
well have it as any body. I hope that
this will not displease any of the original
owners in this claim. Please send me
by Chapman 2 doz blank Mining deeds.
Please dont fail to do this as I need them
very much

A small Two Horse or mule wagon would
be very handy and very useful in these
Copper Mines. Hauling wood and water.
So if you can bring one out you had
better do so. There is 15 of the discharged
Soldiers at work in the Iratuba District
they are getting out good ore all of them
All the lakes as far as tested are very
rich. Col. Atkin the Assayer of the Phila
Co says that the Iratuba is certainly very
rich & that it bids fair to be the first
and richest District on the Colorado River
All the ore that I have seen from the
Iratuba District is full of the red & Black
Oxides of Copper Col. Atkin of the Phila Co
who is a practical Assayer says that this
is the richest kind of Copper Ore. There is also
two other kinds of very rich ore in the
Iratuba Dist. viz the Grey Sulphur & the
Green Carbonate
We had a Christmas Ball at Harveys
10 White Women in attendance. There was
also a New years Ball given at the
Fort and there was in attendance at this
one 16 White Women. What do you think
of this dont you think that we are
rising on the Colorado like smoke from
a hob ——— Tell May that there are

San Bernardino Feby 9/65.

Georg Meuser Esq!
Dear Sir!

Having now occasion to call on you for assistance is it I take the liberty to write you and ask you to extend to me a favour, which not alone will benefit myself but you also. Mr Pointdexter has, from whom we received letters last week, relocated in Mr Levicks my own and a 3^d party's behalf our 3 main leads in the Patata district, the Leviathan, Rothschild and Black Lead so we now can control them. He urges us in the strongest terms possible to make our outfit and proceed out there without delay in order to commence taking out ore and have it hauled to the river, teams for hauling the ore we can get there. Mr Hardy will advance \$100 per ton for every ton of such ore as we can produce from

those leads delivered on the bank of the river, distance only 5 miles and good road, so you will perceive we can make a good thing without going to great expense.

I now propose to you Mr. Hurst to give you an equal share with myself in this business if you will furnish me an outfit consisting of: 5 kegs powder & fuse, 2 bars $\frac{3}{4}$ inch steel, 2 eight & sledge hammers, 6 picks, 6 chisels, 2 wheelbarrows, 1 pr: bellows & blacksmiths tools, 600^{lb} flour, 2 boxes yeast powder, 150^{lb} bacon, 50^{lb} coffee, 100^{lb} sugar, $\frac{1}{2}$ chest tea, pay the freight to San Bernardino and cash enough to pay for the hauling of this goods to the mines. If this my proposition should meet with your approval please write me immediately.

Yours very obedient servant

Charles Mager

Please do not neglect answering me right away. —

San Bernardino March 2^d 62

George Hearst Esq.

Dear Sir, Yours of
Feb. 19th to Mogro was received yesterday.
I was very much surprised on reading
your letter to learn that you had not
received any letters from me. I do not
recollect at present how many letters
I have written to you about our mining
matters. But, I have wrote several,
and directed them as follows, George G.
Hearst Esq. Mrs House San Francisco
I thought it very strange of you not answering
my letters. As I was very anxious to have
something done with those lands in
Imperial Dist. I wrote to you about
the matter. Stating just how things
stand. It is this way. I made arrange-
ments with Mr. Poydexter on his way out
to relocate these lands in the Imperial Dist.
which he has done. He sent the certificate
of ownership to me and I now hold a
Deed from those parties. There is seven
claims located they belong to my self

Mr. Mogo and Poyndexter, there is no
doubt but what the leads are rich
and what we want is means to work
them. As regard the money that
I receive from you, I am still
willing to give you the preference
of having the controlling interest
of those mines if you so desire.
I will enclose Poyndexter letter so that
you can judge for yourself please
answer by return mail and oblige

Yours
Respectfully

J^m R. Lewis

I, we act together in this matter

J^m R. Lewis
Charles Mogo.

Mr. Mago and Pindexter, there is no
doubt but what the leads are rich
and what we want is means to work
them. As regard the money that,
I receive from you, I am still
willing to give you the preference
of having the controlling interest
of those mines if you so desire.
I will enclose Pindexter letter so that
you can judge for yourself please
answer by return mail and oblige

Yours
Respectfully

J. H. Relwick

I. H. act together in this matter

J. H. Relwick
Charles Mago.

By Courier May 23^d 1865

George Heald Esq

I wrote to you a few days since to send me \$2,000 as it is needed here. I intended draw on the Bank and have it forwarded by express but do not think it best to do so. I wish you would attend to the matter on receipt of this for to me it is unpleasant to have men waiting on their money and I have promised to pay for our lumber for the new mill as soon as it is delivered and it will be here this week. The Section Mine looks as well as I ever saw it.

If we had a road made I think it would be well to commence doing ^{ing} south with the rock from the ledge. I have been trying to arrange to have one hundred tons crushed.

Respectfully Yours
Friend &c

G. H. Seaton

Heardt Cannot you come up here I have the refusal of the Oneida property and I

Think it is the best money that
I know of to make big money out
of. It is a Venturions mine with
splendid improvements and a very
large ledge which pays from twelve
to fifteen dollars per ton. But it
is a 20 Stamp Steam mill and
a whim which cost all of \$12,000.
The Schellam mine a ledge
is now over five feet wide and
prospects exceedingly well.

Yours
G. M. Leaton

Clear Creek,
Nov 26th 1885

Mr. J. Hirst

Dear Sir

I take this method of informing you
and Mr. L. O. Clark, in regard
to some claims we have located,
and some the work necessary to hold
them at the request of Mr. Brown
when near some three months ago.
Enclosed you will find a list of
claims and names of the companies
the of the claims located by Mr. Brown
on our silver. Which we will inform
you of the other four claims we
located ~~on~~ ^{on} Musman Hill. where
Mr. Brown wished to take up a
tunnel site. The adits are from
2 to 6 feet wide. We worked on them
until our money was spent and
also employed a man, expecting
that Mr. Brown would return as he
promised. but he has not signed so
we contracted debt for labor and
provisions to the amount of one
hundred and fifty \$150.00 dollars
independent of our work.

We done our best. Including
all expenses - it will amount to
four hundred dollars - we are in
debt at the present to parties
for labor - & provisions - one hundred
dollars we must pay - immediately
by sending us \$200 - dollars -
We will send the Certificates of
the claims - as soon - as we hear from
you - if you think proper not to
do so - please send us the Deeds
of the claims, as there is plenty
of parties here at the present - who
will take them and pay - expenses -
which we have incurred. We have
run a tunnel in the Mt by chance
60 or 70 feet, an found rock similar
to the Original. on the upper Extension
we have run a cut about thirty 30 ft
which Mr Brown will explain to you
However where the claims are
situated so care you should send the
Deeds. Make them out in favor of -
A. M. Gurck. W. J. W. Mogan. we request
that Mr Clark & Brown - & yourself
will not disappoint us in sending -
either money or deed by return mail.
I am
Yours
W. J. W. Mogan & A. M. Gurck

have kept a man there all of the time
and as I had talk with you first
I propose to let you have one half of my
entire interest for the sum of one thou-
sand dollars not that I want to make
anything out of you if I thought they
were not good I would not make.
The offer you can see Mr Blake
but don't tell him the proposition
we are also going out there about
the 20 or 25 of this month I have agree-
d to go out with Mr Phelps the
President of the Southern Pacific
Rail Road Co and also Mr Flint
one of the Directors and if you can
get off and go with us you can
have the trade open until you
see the mines we also have
possession of the Picache Quick
Silver mines and have relocated
them we bought out the man
that had possession of them
to keep them from other parties

Yehoy Lanza Clara Co
Calo Feb 6th 1866

Mr Geo Hearst Esq.
as you are not aware
how our Quick Silver Mining
List stands I will give you a
short history when I came back
from Rush River saw a party
who were anxious to take the
mines on East. Parrot was anxious
to have Sherman Day see them for
him he Parrot told me if Day said
they were good he would give
us a good price for them and an
unassessable interest but I thought
I could do better with the other
party I called at your office sever-
al times you was not in town I
then made a conditional trade
with Elmore at the corner of Calo St.

I think we have the biggest thing
in the way of quick silver mines
there is in this state we can get
pretty good ore on the croppings
and in solid ledges and very
large from a 100 to 300 feet wide
a plenty of boulders with plenty
of cinnabar. around the base
of the chimneys and some of the
chimneys half as large as Telegr-
aph hill and much higher
Mr Blake found cinnabar at six
different places and on three ledg-
es please write me soon what
you think of the proposition

Yours Respectfully
J P Sargent

P.S. or you may have an equal interest
in all we have except the ones sent
East if you can find a party to develop
them and give us an unassessable inter-
est (Answer) 2 P.S.

Montgomery gave Power of Atty to sell
the mines some five in number
we to receive two hundred thousand
dol and one fifth of the mines
unassessable and they to have until
the first of March to make the sale
I shall extend the time 2 or 3 months
as they want to take them to England
shall also reduce the price some
if they cant get that Amt^y they sent
their own man to examine the
mines and report, who was Mr
Blake of the firm of Googear &
Blake Mining Engineers Montgomery
If his report was very favorable
we found Cinnabar at four of the
locations in good quantities we have
some five locations more, no one
has got yet the whole concern belongs
to three of us the ledges are all rec-
orded in the district and also on file
in the County records at Monterey
we have been to considerable expense

Wokelamne Hill, May 2nd 1866

Hon. George Hearst-

Dear Sir

If you have leisure to again visit this section of Country. I think I can show you some mines that would justify the trouble.

One in particular that I wish to call your attention to. It is located in the edge of Amador Co. has been worked quite extensively with fair results while it was well managed but for three years past lain idle.

The shaft an old works have caved in and it would be necessary to sink a new shaft for purpose of testing the permanency of Vein. Though there is a large amount of Rock above the old levels that can be made pay.

The Original works have been carried to a depth of one hundred and ninety feet fine Vein in the bottom but not so rich as the surface Rock had been. On the Mine there is a good light hoisting Engine. Twelve Horse Power. Boiler and everything in complete working ^{order}. There is also a Mill owned by the Company located on Wokelamne River. Half Mile from the ledge. Good Wheel and constant supply of Water.

The Water privilege being the best in the two countries
this property can be had very cheap if there is not too
much eagerness manifested on part of purchasers.

There is much in its favor: it is on the main
Armadillo belt: everything on hand requisite for carrying on
the work: and there can be no doubt as to its value. You
may ask why its owners do not develop it: The only answer is
they are engaged in other business in another part of the state
always had difficulty with the Resident Partners. And on
this account discontinued work on the mine while it was
more than paying expenses.

As to myself and the cause that
induced the writing of this: Is the hope that I
might induce you or some party through you to
take hold of the property and give me a superintend-
ency this is the only benefit I expect to derive from sale
of the property. As to Competency Character, &c
I take leave to refer you to Hon. W. H. Leonard: Hon.
Hon. N. G. Lawer. Messrs. Gress & Meiger of the
Volcan Iron Works. Also Hepburn and Peterson at
same place.

I would like to show you the above prop-
erty as well as the numerous veins in the surround-
ing country. The lead owned by Lamphier & Co

The one you proposed visiting on your arrival in Town
has been paying very large working with Arrastra there are also
several others being opened within a few miles that give promise
of success. In a word there is as good an opening for one who
takes the interest that you do in these matters: as there is in any
part of the State.

If you can make it convenient to write
in answer to this so that I may receive the letter by Sunday
stage you will oblige. And should you conclude to come
up for purposes mentioned if you state some time that
I may expect you I will make it a point to meet
you at this place.

Very Respectfully Yours
James A. Sullivan

Polly's Station May 9th 1866

Gen. Hurst, Esq.,
Sir

Having written you twice during the Winter relative to your interest in the Sherman claims and the assessment due from you thereon, and not having received any answer from you as yet, I presume you do not desire to obtain your interest, ^{therefore} send you a deed to acknowledge in my favor, and have requested the bearer, Mr. Brewer, to attend to the matter and pay all expenses of acknowledgment &c.

Your name was used by me in making the location of the Sherman claims, at the request of a friend of yours, or I should not have put it on the notice; after using it and perfecting your title to the ground, I certainly expected to be paid for my work, but it appears you think otherwise, and have treated my demands for the money with indifference, if nothing more. This does not suit me, and as I want the claim I will trouble you to affix your signature

to the enclosed deed.

I can make money out of the
Sherman claims, if I can succeed in getting
rid of a few runners and deadheads I was
unfortunate enough to put in the location,
therefore I am sending all of them deeds to
sign, so that I may dissolve all partnerships
interest with them.

Yours Ac.
Chas. Dunn Jr.

DEED.

Geo. Hurst

TO

John, Dean Jr.

Dated.....186

Recorded at request of

.....A. D. 186
at.....min. past.....M.

This Indenture, Made the _____ day of _____

in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and sixty six

BETWEEN Geo. Hurst of the County of San Francisco
in the State of California of the first part and
Chas. Dunn Jr. of the County of Nevada in the
State aforesaid party _____

of the second part, WITNESSETH, That the said party of the first part, for, and in consideration of the sum of One _____ Dollars lawful money of the United States of America, to him in hand paid, by the said party of the second part, at or before the enrolling and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, has remised, released and quit-claimed, and by these presents do re remise, release and quit-claim unto the said party of the second part, and to his heirs and assigns forever, ALL

The following
described property "to wit" the undivided
interest of one hundred (100) feet of in and to
the "Sherman Company claims (so called) on
the Mammoth Ledge lode lying and being situate in
Meadow Lake Mining District in the County of
Nevada and State of California and about one
half a mile west of the Enterprise lode shaft
and works between the North and South branches
of the South Fork River, and located by the
said party of the first part and others.

TOGETHER with all the dips, spurs and angles, and also all the metals, ores, gold, and silver bearing quartz, rock and earth therein; and all the rights, privileges and franchises thereto incident, appendant and appurtenant, or therewith usually had and enjoyed; and, also, all and singular the tenements and hereditaments or appurtenances thereto belonging, and the rents, issues and profits thereof; and, also, all the estate, right, title, interest, possession, claim and demand whatsoever, of the said party of the first part, of, in or to the premises, and every part and parcel thereof.

AND also all the estate, right, title, interest, _____ property, possession, claim and demand whatsoever, as well in law as in equity, of the said party of the first part, of, in or to the above described premises, and every part and parcel thereof, with the appurtenances.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD, all and singular the above mentioned and described premises, together with the appurtenances, unto the said party of the second part and to his heirs and assigns forever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, said party of the first part, has hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year first above written.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered in the Presence of _____

(Seal)

NOTARY.

Geo. Hurst

TO

Chas. Dunn Jr.

Dated _____ 186

Recorded at request of _____

At _____ 186

at _____ M.

Centerville May 10th 1866

J. W. Rains

Dear Sir

At request of Mr. Emory. I send you a statement as to the timber-fee in the Lawyer-Ledge can be negotiated for in this place. These Parties has 155 feet for which they ask 20¢ per foot Payable in New York to Wells Fargo & Co. I have aside from that 66 feet for which I gave a Conditional Deed to Leal Raymond as agent for George Hurst. of San Francisco. The Conditions of that Deed has not been complied with on Mr Hurst. part. Therefore I consider the deed null & void. And on return or Satisfactory arrangements being made in regard to that Deed, I will then do the same with the 66 feet that I propose to do with the 155 feet. Hoping to hear from you soon on this matter.

I remain Yours Respectfully,
G. W. Thatcher

221
20
4420
4420
4420
1036
8052
781
1026 ft.

Newland	105 ft.
Peyton	20
Sullivan	45 -
Highly	54
Wright	50
"	175 -
Sullivan	20 ft.
Brittont	25 -
Blodine	37 1/2
Dean & Brady	58
Peyton	10
Dunsmore	25 -
W. J. Dyke	59
"	130
$\begin{array}{r} 805 - 1/2 \\ 781 \\ \hline 24 1/2 \text{ excess} \end{array}$	

ft
781 on Records & the arch

Opahut Village May 14th 1866
O. P. Sutton Esq

Dear sir there is
nothing of importance to communicate
from this place at present the work is steadily
progressing the rock is much easier to work
at the bottom of the shaft now than it ever
was before though it still is a mixture of
granite and slate, the depth is now forty four
feet the water remains about the same, and
consumes considerable time in keeping it out
and if the company can arrange manrey
matters so as to work two shifts it is certainly
advisable to do so with Mr Pearson being
soon by and send me some more funds
this week

yours respectfully
E. Marsap
Suptd O. B. M. Co.

in submitting this report
I will state that there is one
small bill not rendered but
it will not exceed seven dollars
I will also state that I have the
bills representing almost every item
of expenditure to save time in
this report as well as space I marked
them as bills rendered

respectfully submitted
Ophir Will May 8th 1866

C. Marsden supt
Ophir Boulder Mine

report of expenditures
and the
Ophir Boulder Mine
from December 1st 1865 - to May 1st 1866

did not	Expenses incurred by my self	
	from San Francisco to Ophir	12 00
4th	to 47 lbs of rope at 23 cts	9 43
"	8 lbs of cast-iron sledge	5 00
"	axe & helve	2 00
"	4 picks at 300	12 00
"	steel for making picks	1 00
"	barrel for tubs	1 00
"	two shovels at 125	2 50
"	lumber for shed platform &c	10 00
"	carriage and the same	2 50
"	nails	1 50
"	26 lbs of drill steel at 24 cts	6 25
"	blasting fuse	1 25
"	freight per railroad	50
18	" 1 sledge 16 lbs at 60 cts	9 60
"	4 picks	2 50
		<u>79 03</u>

Jan 1st 1866	bro't over	49 03
	1 sledge handle	25
	to 26 1/2 lbs of drill steel at 23 ^{cts}	6 10
	" half doz sledge handles	2 25
	" exprepage on coin	1 00
15th	to recording instrument of writing in the records of Placer County at the request of A Sutton for stamping acknowledging and exprepage on the same	4 50
17th	to bill rendered by D Choat	9 75
	to black smiths bills rendered	41 36
	carriage paper 25 ^{cts} matches 50	75
	prospect from	1 50
Feb 17th	exprepage on coin	1 00
27th	exprepage on box of ore cartage on the same	2 50 50
March 14th	exprepage on coin	1 00
	matches 62 ^{cts} carriage paper 38	1 00
17th	33 lbs of drill steel at 23 ^{cts}	7 59
		<u>\$160 08</u>

March	Bro't over	\$ 160.08
	expres envelopes	1 00
April 21st	to black smith bills rendered	62 75
May 1st	to bill rendered by D Choat	30 14
	exprepage on coin of Jan 13 th ^{overlooked}	1 75
	exprepage on coin March 24 th	1 00
	to cart of powder 25 lbs	5 50
	100 ft of fuse	2 00
		<u>264 22</u>

Tom Higgins	to 116 days labour	
	at 250 per day	290 00
King	to 113 days labour at 250	282 50
McKnight	4 1/2 days at 250	11 25
George Hill	3 days at 250	7 50
Grant	2 days " 250	5 00
C Robinson	5 days at 250	12 50
		<u>608.75</u>

Paid out on my own account for board washing and other Necessary expenses—	\$156 00
sum total	\$1028.97
cash credited to company acct—	900 00
Balance due on May 1st	<u>128.97</u>

Crab Valley May 30. 1866.

Mr. Hurst

Dr. Sir, We have again resumed work on the Fair View ledge. And as we have not as yet received any apcement money from you. I must again urge you to assist us, by paying your part of the expenses, or if you do not want to spend any money on the mine I hope you will oblige me by sending me a deed for the ground & I will pay the apcement.

For the work already done & what we design doing at present will make your part of the expenses about fifty dollars.

I hope Sir you will assist us in this matter without further delay as we are needing money very much to keep the work going.

Yours Respectfully
W. B. Williamson

Dear Valley June 3^d 1866
The Heast Co.
Dear Sir

I am requested by Mr
Miller the President of the Lafayette Co
to write you - and ascertain whether
you received a letter from him
written on the 11th ult. - Please answer
immediately

Yours Respectfully
C D Darling
Secretary Lafayette Mining Co

more out of it than you are aware
off Mr Marshall has the right to
sell for Judge Wash and will
sell for \$2000, but by all means get
the refusal for a short time if you
do not want to pay the money—

I also wish you would buy
the right to redeem the Green
Leads ^{and mill} from the same parties it
is going to be sold by the sheriff
and will be bought by Mr Wade
for a trifle it is good property
it will be sold on the 28th of this
month if you act you have to act
very promptly if you do what I tell
you now you can make at least \$10,000

Respectfully

Richard Garvey

Colombe Valley
San Bernardino Co

June 10-1866
George Hearst Esq.

Dear Sir
you will recollect that I
went to New York last summer
to sell a mine I had in Arizona
and succeeded in coming out
with an Eastern gentleman who I had
sold to, while on my way to Arizona
some months ago I brought him
up to examine the property that I wish
to draw your attention at present
(this place is 40 miles from San Bernardino)
the property here consists of seven
leads belonging to Judge Wash
and Mr Marshall of San Francisco
which he had leased for a term
of years to the party who owned
the mill in the vicinity of the
mines— Mr Wade the gentleman

I speak about is a very
heavy operator and has bought
the mill and lease to the mines
and has went to considerable expence
but only to get the concern in
shape to sell in the East, which
he can not do without Buying of
Marshall or Dodge Walsh and he
is bound to have them at any
price and he has got the money
to Buy he has now spent \$20,000
which is of no use if he can not get
the mines I speak about. the are very
good mines but he only wants them
as an investment ^{to speculate with} and as he is obliged
to pay a royalty of 20 per cent from the
proceeds of the mines he is anxious to
Buy and is going to San Francisco
for that purpose in less than 10 days
from this time now Mr Dearest I do
not want you to treat this lightly
but go to Mr Marshall he lives in Oakland
and get the refusal of the mines for
30 or 40 days and you will make

George West Esq
San Francisco

Proser City I.T.
Feb 2 1866

Sir:

Allow me to introduce to you the bearer of this
Letter Mr. John M. Canady, a Resident and
Merchant of this place who propose remaining
in your City for several months, and
probably can give you more information
in regard to the Mineral Resources of this
Country than any one else. Having been a long
Resident of the Territory, and more especially
of the Quartz Ledges which you were prospecting
Whilst at this place, viz: the Big Muddy, and
its Extensions, knowing you will receive more
information from Mr Canady, in regard to
the object you desire, than I could write
to you. I Remain Yours Most

Respectfully
A B Britten

2:21

MINING CORRESPONDENCE

1867

72/204
c

Millerton, Feb 7th 1867
Dear friend
I was sued by Ira McCray for
the amount of that draft and all my property
Everything in my name, was attached
Managed by ~~attorney~~ McCray a bond for a
sum of all my goods to stop the thing
and save expenses. The Lawyers & Sheriffs
charges amounting to \$18.75 with the draft
\$198.75 he has given me sixty days to
settle this amount. He has acted like
a gentleman in the arrangement. You
must admit that he has been run. bugged
badly and had good cause to push things
from. It looks strange to me that I
was not posted on the different moves of.
The Co. and not informed of the intention
to stop the draft back on me I really
do not think the Co. have acted right by me
knowing as they do my situation in regard to
co's debts. I expect the Chinese store men who hold
Ah Tungs & Chungs accounts will try to collect from
me the amount due them for labor. I wish you ^{to} write
me as soon as possible about the intentions

of parties below with regards to the settlement
of affairs if I knew their intentions I could
fit myself accordingly, Hoping that
everything will eventually be settled satisfactory

Remain Yours Truly
John Snow

P.S. it is now over thirty days since I heard
from you or anyone from A. F.
Moss

George. I write this only for yourself & do
not wish it to be read by any of the other
Members of the Co. The Statements made by me in
this are Plain Statements of the facts.

Yours

Wm
P

Cortez Mining Dist. June 13th 1867

George Hearst Esq

Dr Sir

Agreeable to your request
and my promise to you I visited the Mt Tomab Mine
Yesterday in company with Mr Palmer their Superinten-
dant. He has now Two shafts sunk on the Mine. These
shafts are about 45 feet deep below the level of the base
of the Pay cropping which you will remember showed on
the right hand side of the ravine going up. These shafts
are 40 feet apart lengthwise of the Pay streak or vein
which here runs nearly East & West. The shafts did
not have pay ore in them all the way down but did
have Pay Rock in them all the way down at intervals -
the shafts are now connected together at the bottom by a
Tunnel and the same Tunnel is extended westerly on the
vein from the West Shaft a distance of 90 feet and
Easterly from the East Shaft about 12 feet making the entire
length of the Tunnel including the width of the shafts some
142 feet in length but this Tunnel is not as I supposed in
pay ore all the way. The ore seems to lie in spots and is not
connected by a continuous chain of ore but seems to come up

in the Tunnel in spurs & Bunches some places the ledge shows a very well defined casing containing yellow clay sometimes spurs of Jay rock come down from the top without continuing all the way across the tunnel or the full height of the Tunnel. The vein where it does show stands very Perpendicular, and as the Ledge now appears in the whole length of this Tunnel, One that will pay for working cannot be got in sufficient quantity to run the Mill the largest body of Ore in the Mine being that part of the Mine lying between the two shafts & the vein is much smaller in that body at the depth of the Shaft than it is on the first level on the Top. At the ^{west} end of the Tunnel which connects the bottom of the shafts there is very good Jay Rock about 20 inches thick this streak is much better in the top of the Tunnel than at the bottom. & so far as I can see the Pay is very irregular so far as they have gone. and so far as a body of Ore is concerned on which they can depend to keep their Mill running that will pay expenses. to be candid about it they have not as yet got it. If I owned the Mine I would sink on it still deeper everything so far looks as though these spots of Pay are were more spurs or offshoots from the main Pay Strata and all indications would naturally lead a person to believe that there was a large Pay Strata of ore near by somewhere but at present

it does not appear in sight & I must say that I was not as favourably impressed with the Mine after visiting it as I was before from the reports I had heard while in San Francisco. I am very sorry I can not give you a more flattering account than I have but these are my honest views and convictions. And from what I could learn of the feelings of the Company below I fear that unless they strike something different in the Mine from what they now have they will again meet with disappointment in their operations this summer. They some of them think they have already opened up good Ore sufficient to keep the Mill running but I am very sorry to have to say that I do not see it yet. But still I fully believe that a good and substantial Ledge will yet present itself in that claim. The walls & casing are coming in more regular & better defined down in the lower Tunnel than they were on the Top and Bunches of very Rich Ore makes its appearance at intervals between the walls. The greater portion of the Ore already out is already packed to the Mill which unless more force is put on to get in readiness will not be ready to start before the 4th of July but will be in very good shape to work the Ore when ready. Hoping I may hear from you occasionally I am very truly Yours. Sincere Pemberton

I think myself qualified to make something. If I would tell all about my business ~~at~~ they would soon give me the slip.

Please pay my respects to Mrs. McDonald
and I am and remember

Yours
truly
Charles Lieberman

Oro, Flint District June 15th 1867.

Mr. Hearst,

Dear Sir,

Having received your favor of 1th of June yesterday I am glad to hear your satisfaction about this country and anxious to see you here. I am highly pleased with your opinion on my ability especially as I will be able to show you that I am not only right on the general principles but am also fully posted in minute details, which you will see when I describe you my opinion about working these ores by my processes and the appliance of my close calculations in practice when you are here. Please keep in mind that I must accommodate myself to my circumstances which combined with that small capital to go on in mining are closely limited. But I went into that business with the security of giving satisfaction to Mr. McDonald who had confidence in my abilities and because I am a young man who is anxious to establish himself a reputation unquestionable necessary to greater mining enterprises. I think and assert that I am on the right track.

In my plan of working I am especially led by the presence of ore much of which goes over one and two thousand Dollars per ton when taken out of the mine. My concentrating work is a combination based on good experienced principles with new inventions assured by my observations in practice.

I crush the ore coarse leading the crushed ore in boxes of  that shape (front view) and  that end view discharging the classified ore on the bottom continuously. This classified ore comes on tables of different inclination with different quantities of water and according to the size of the ore and is worked within ten percent into a concentrated mass of sulphurets going 3 to 4000\$ a ton and more.

These 10% are not at all lost as you may reckon; this is caught in vats better constructed as these I found here in the mills. This settiment will go probably not over 100\$ a ton and it is my idea to work that by freiberg barrel amalgamation. On an example I will show you the correctness of my calculations. Be assured that I considered the properties of Ruby Silver also, but could find no fault in my operations.

The concentrated sulphurets are well adapted for smelting (Roasting and Reducing Smelting into base bars going 10-12000 \$ Silver and gold per ton).

I take for instance 5 tons of 1000\$ rock = 5000\$ for work. In the concentrated sulphurets I find ~~sure~~ 90%.

The residues of 10% I have in vats and I can work it within 15% by amalgamation process. It is a stated fact experienced in the best amalgamating work of the world that ores going over 200\$ a ton cannot be worked by any metallurgist within 15%. The richer the ores the more imperfect is ^{every} that amalgamating process.

If I am not quite plain to you please keep my ideas to yourself until I can talk to you and convince you by my results in practice. In a letter I cannot explain my ideas fully.

What some men say up here that I could not smelt silver ores with out lead is a false idea. A metallurgist would be in a bad fix if he wanted always lead ores to smelt silver ores. If he cannot help himself in another way as I do I would not give him that name but call him biler.

In regard to miners and prospectors here you can be sure that they dont learn anything from me; I did not come after 6 years standing and practicing my business out here in this country to tell Tom, Dick and Harry all about it. I spent much money to obtain my skill and knowledge and now

Silver City - Coyhce & J
Aug 18th 1863

Friend Hurst-

I arrived here this evening
all safe with a whole scalp, but feel very
~~too~~ much fatigued from riding all night-
last night and all day.

I have saw Vickersham
and had a talk with him in regards to
his indebtedness and what he will take over
and above. He says he will take the difference
between thirty two thousand and what he owes
whichever that may be, and that the other half
of the mine can be had for five thousand dollars
and that you can settle with the creditors
by mortgage or any other way that you may
agree upon and perhaps you can make
a better trade than that by seeing him himself.
Vickersham is going to write you himself so you
can compare notes if he does. I saw Curtis last
night in Boise City he says the creditors will take
a mortgage on the mine from you, if you buy it,
giving you six months time on their part. Now if you will
buy by instalment within thirty days you can have
it for twelve thousand dollars, or twenty thousand
for mine and Wilson's making one half of the whole

I have just saw Wilson ~~and~~ dine privately
and he says that it will take eight thousand
dollars for him to free himself of debt but
when you come here you can soon come
to some conclusion what you will do to it
so I will close wishing you good luck and
good health, I leave in the morning for
Covill, hoping to hear from you soon
I am yours Respectfully
J. Martin

stand unencumbered. The $\frac{1}{6}$ to wit 179. stands in the name of John W Wilson. Over which there is a Judgment of 3,700 in currency - in favor of S. R. & Moore - Wilson, holds this $\frac{1}{6}$ subject to the Mortgage of \$3,700, and wants \$4,000. over and above the said encumbrance of \$3,700. Making the valuation or, the demand for the $\frac{1}{6}$ - \$7,000. The other $\frac{1}{3}$ embracing 356 $\frac{1}{3}$ and the 28 $\frac{2}{3}$ ft held and under the control of Martin, can be obtained at less than \$15,000. This makes for the entire ^{\$49,000} value of these figures. And the changes that can be made in Amounts and Manner of Payments - I have some important suggestions to make, when I can do so in person to you. I saw Mr Martin, this morning - and was in conversation with him for two hours - previous to his starting to Owyhee in the stage at 4 o'clock.

I suppose you have concluded to go to Alturas County - And as I am pleased to learn in company with Col. Ruston. The Col. is a pleasant and agreeable gentleman, and is the Confidential Attorney of the Owyhee Co, of which Mr Walbridge is Supt.

Hoping these few facts, may serve your interest, and throw some ^{light} on matters, you may deem worthy of attention. And wishing ^{you a} safe & pleasant trip and safe return.

I remain very truly Yours in all duty J. B. Curtis.

Barre City - Vt.
Sept 18. 1867.

George Hunt Esq.

Dear George: I am under the impression that you might feel an interest in knowing some things which occurred in Owyhee since your departure from there. And which perhaps you might wish to know before your return there on your way to San Francisco. McDonald, left for deal, on the third day after you left for Haenau, so no particular point was reached by him in the "Leveathau" matter, except that Mr Libbears friend Judell, - a few. Announced the fact that, Libbears, could only pay 10 cts on the dollar, for the labor, services &c. &c. of those who rendered him, goods, services, or who performed labor in and about the working of the Mine. & the Milling and Reduction of the Ore from the "Leveathau". I think the feeling of bitterness towards Libbears, however has modified within the last few days. And that the Creditors, and owners of the Mine - have reconciled themselves to things as they are. So the matter stands at present. ~~the~~

In regard to the "Mining" Star, the following are the only points which have developed themselves, since McDonald left. Mr Lewis, of the firm of Siller, Frankmeier & Co, of Portland, Oregon - representing their own claim, and the claim of the other creditors of McKersham in Portland (which embraces all or nearly all of the indebtedness against him) made this proposition to McKersham - that if he McKersham, would make them a deed to the undivided one half of the Mine; to wit: 538 1/2 ft. to them or to any person they should designate. They would give him \$3,000, as a bonus. And cancel the debts due and demands against him. They consulted me about it, and I advised them to obtain a correct and full statement of his indebtedness. This he rendered. Which amount to \$23,000 - or \$24,000, together with the Bonus of \$3,000, making 26,000, or \$27,000, for the undivided one half of the Mine. I advised this course, so as to enable Mr McKersham to make a good and sufficient conveyance of the property to the purchaser, and to prevent a sale of the Mine being set aside, by any unsatisfied creditor, under the National Bankrupt Act of last

december. After Mr McKersham, accepted the proposition. Mr Lewis, came to me and offered, to have the one half of the Mine conveyed to me by deed. After which, I was to give to the creditors a Mortgage. Specifying the Amount to each, and the whole Amount not to exceed \$27,000, including the Bonus - \$24,000, would be the Amount of the Mortgage. at 8 per cent per Month. payable, principal & interest at the end of six Months (6) to wit on or before the first day of March 1888. I Accepted the proposition. And Mr Lewis, left for Portland. to lay the matter before the Creditors. And will return by the 1st of September. McKersham, will have, over and above all his debts, some 6,000, or 8,000 Dols, in real Estate, which he obtained as he did the Mine, to satisfy the original debt of Moore & Tagers to him of 18,000, or 20,000 Dols.

McKersham, if he don't make a sale of the one half of the Mine, before Mr Lewis, returns from Portland, which will pay off all the debts and leave a larger sum in his favor than the \$3,000, Bonus - will coming under his proposition.

By this Arrangement, 538 1/2 ft of the Mine, will

Mc Adams Creek Sept 17/63

Mr Pool

Dear Sir

I Received your Letter of the 16
and am sorry to hear that you
can not meet the Payment on
that Date your Note is due
on the 20 of this month and
i wold like to have it Very
much as i have made ~~eng~~
engagements that will imbarrip
me Very much

as to Extending the time i
cannot Agree unless you
give me the ~~Ca~~ rate with
intrest at ~~the~~ rate of two
per cent per month from
the 25th of July with approp
Security

J. Happer

Warrens Higgins
Nov. 9th 1867

Mr. Frost: Dear Sir -

Some weeks since I had the pleasure of perusing a letter addressed to Maj. Sanderson in which you expressed a wish that I should write you in case I did not come to Frisco this winter - Consequently not finding it convenient to spend my winter in said place I will do what I can with the pen.

I must confess I was greatly disappointed in not seeing you up here this season or even hearing from you direct as I had reason to hope I should for I addressed a letter to you directly after the arrival of the May at Lewiston and not receiving any answer - we came to the conclusion that you were deferring to ans. it until you could do it orally - Time rolled on and and representations on the Eureka became necessary and in the absence of yourself or any instructions it was quite a query what should be done in regard to those claims for I knew that there were parties who would improve the first opportunity of jumping them - finally I hit on the plan of having them represented in the names of some of my select friends and have

no apprehension whatever but if you still entertain the idea of opening those claims and doing as you proposed - these same parties I located for will relinquish their right or claim to them.

The Co. are very anxious that you should take hold of these claims as you proposed - that is if you entertain as exalted opinion of the rock as you formerly did and they on their part will give you all the inducement they can.

We sunk down some eight feet to ascertain the dip of the ledge preparatory to surveying it and found the ledge retained its width as we got down - that is about four or four and a half ft - We then sunk in two different places further down the hill and have no doubt but would have found the ledge in these two last named places but springs of water breaking in compelled us to abandon them for the present - we however found rich rock in both places.

During the past season quite a number of new leads have been found - among the list is the Alder, Pioneer, Scotts, Eldorado, Mountain Monarch, Camanche, and Black Hawk - these are reputed rich and justly so I think.

You no doubt remember something respecting the croppings of rich Copper rock that was found in the vicinity of Snake River - the ledge has since been found and proved to be a large one - during the winter I will try

and send you a sample of the rock as taken out of the ledge.

Since you were here our camp has undergone quite a change in many respects - two five Stamp Quartz Mills are now under construction and others are contemplated the coming season - one of these Mills will be in operation the coming week and the other it is confidentially believed will be in operation by the first of Jan. next - hence you see our camp has already acquired new life and tone.

To all appearances winter has fairly set in we now have ten inches of snow on the ground and placer mining is suspended for the present - but quite a no. will remain during the winter designing to open their Quartz Claims - I for my part will leave for Lewiston tomorrow and would be much pleased to hear from you during the winter and shall at anytime respond with pleasure to any information you may require and that I can give you in regard to the upper country.

Yours Truly
C. E. Lawrence

NB. Address me
at Lewiston

2:22

MINING CORRESPONDENCE

1868

72/
204
c

2:22

MINING CORRESPONDENCE

1868

72/
204
c

Benches Laidlam
Boschway Corp

Raisins. I can
- get - also for
day you wanted
cement. I have
cleared off but
little bed rock

George Hearnst Esqr



Grass Valley Jan 19/68

Dear Sir

I find since I came
here that the Jim. Mine has been
incorporated & that the debts are being
paid in stock. You have a note I think
against the Co signed by Dave Hunt
Sept for \$1000. Why not put that
note in & take it in stock, unless
you can collect from Slope & their
pro rate of the amt.

My time for services has not been
credited on the books, nor the money
for which you paid me for services.
I think I can put in an a/c for services
ren. for 6 mos & draw the stock in my
name if you think it advisable.
I sent a statement of the time &

the amt drawn by me for services to Crittenden as soon as he took possession of the books, also a statement of all money disbursed by me, but he did not make the entries.

I have the statement now which he returned since I came up here at my request.

We will commence crushing the Bromidary rock tomorrow morning. The rock coming out of the mine looks well and everything is getting along as well as possible in that line. We have plenty of snow still on the ground, which keeps the roads in a miserable state.

My wife writes me that she has made an application to the City board of education for a school

As our friend Dick Hammond is Pres^t of the board, if you could put in a word for her to him & any others of the board, it might have a beneficial effect in getting a good paying position, which you can understand is the principal object. Anything you may do to further that object will be appreciated.

Write me & let me know what is going on - that don't get in the papers.

As regards taking stock in the Lin., if it can be had.

Respectfully Yours friend &c
Amiel James

Cassius L. Latham
Broadway, N.Y.

Raisins. I can
- get - also for
- you - I want to
- mention. I have
- cleaned up but
- little bed rock

San Francisco Cal
April 3rd 1868

John Dan Esq

Columbus Ohio



Dear Sir

On or before the first
day of June next pay to order of George W. Grant
of San Francisco Cal. Seven hundred dollars
(\$700) in U.S. gold coin, for value received
with interest at rate of one per cent per month
& charge the same to account of

Yours Resp^{tly}

Amiel James

I would like very much to gain to one
operation & go all the way through it - without
any one saying they had been better I sent Lent
about 600 pounds of rock out of the bottom
of the shaft - of the Rising Star it is fine
now George I want you to write me
a receipt - of this any thing I get before
I hear from you or after you can have
as much or as little as you want - of it -
to Haydenfelt & Fay will not make
a profit - out of you either -

Hoping everything will come out all right
I remain your friend

C. A. Sanborn

Oryhee City - Feb 15 -
1868

Friend Hearst -

I received your letter
yesterday of Jan 31. & am very much surprised
to hear that you have not got any interest
in the Rising Star to amount to any thing
now George I will let you all a bout - my
transactions with Lent - & what he told
me in regard to your interest in it -
as you may not fully understand my
position in the matter I was not satisfied
the way Lent treated me I supposed you
to him was the same as one that was
my reason for taking what I could get - &
giving nothing a bout it - When I went down
from here to San Francisco Lent told me that
he had one 6 for me & that he got from
Roberts as Roberts was to have one 3 of the
mine, he also told me that Haydenfelt
& a man by the name of Fay had one third
- that he thought they might be bought
out - by giving them a profit - which he
proposed to me to do that you & him
take half & the other which I agreed to
he went & saw Haydenfelt - or at least told
me so & the least they would take was 15,000

bonus on
~~what it cost them~~ what it - cost - them. & as Mackay
had told me when I left - to get as large interest
as possible I took one half of it - lent the other
as I supposed from Hydenfeldt & Fay. each of
us paying \$5.00 advance that gave me & Mackay
one third gone & lent one half Roberts one 6th
I afterwards found out that I paid the \$5.00 to
lent that Mr Hydenfeldt & Fay was not known
in the thing at all I made up my mind
that lent - had put the thing up on me & that
you was in with him & to let you the
truth I did not feel very friendly towards
either of you when I left - I wanted not of
care to much if it had been my own money
as I did want Mackay to know that I had
been paid for a sucker & up to the present
he does not know. now George I have given
you the whole thing just as it was you say
in your letter that you blame me
I acknowledge that I am to blame but being
such a Damn fool I never gain to anything
without - getting bilked & I think if you
have let - lent or any one else bilk
you out of a good interest in the Rising
Star I think you are as much to blame
as I am & as big a Damn fool. now
George I am again to get hold of the best
things I can here get - them for sale if possible
I will get the 400 feet south of Rising Star

I think more of it - than when I was here
before I can tell better what to do in two
weeks from now as I will cut the lead
in the Rising Star & open - below the bottom
of the old shaft - if it is good we can
make plenty of money out - side Rising
Star proper I don't think it best to
batter much with Silver City - at present
out - side of the Fagus mine the values
are not looking as well as when you was
here & as for the Lincoln mill we can't
get that. I like the mines in this camp.
much the best - I have put two men to
work on the Excelsior to grade to sink
a shaft - near the upper end - a boy Johnny Bais
shaft - now I want you to write me what
to do as you know it - was understood that
it was in the other end when I left - but I
will say nothing about it - & keep it -
separate until I hear from you
now George I want you to write me
& let me hear of things here I will
be here or as well posted as anyone in the
camp. & Johnny Bais will do any thing that
is reasonable for us he is the only one
here that I put - much confidence in
I am willing to go in with you & you
can fit it - to suit - your self if the camp
turns out - well we can make as much as
any of them

Dayton July 18th 1868
Gov. Hearst - Bay
Sacramento }
Dear Sir

Enclosed please
find Papers of Suit entered against Loyal Property
for Taxes.
Yours Respectfully
R. Howard.

Dayton July 18th 1868
Gov. Hearst Esq. 3
Sacramento }
Dear Sir

Enclosed please
find Papers of Suit entered against Loyal Property
for Sales. Yours Respectfully
R. Howard.

Metropolitan Hotel

New York March 2/18

Dr George

Dr Kins goes out to day
for the purpose of getting the titles
to the Sawyer mine perfected by
the proper parties - He will give you
all particulars - I trust you will
repose him all in your power -
He is a very suitable person to carry
out what he has undertaken - He
is very intelligent has a large circle
of friends and possesses integrity and
industry - Mr Kent appears to have
thought him not the proper person
to carry out the project - but had
he not neglected him there fore we
did the papers duly he would have
succeeded long ago -

Mining Schemes here are hard
by looked at - Will write you again
soon

Yours ever truly
H. H. Raymond

Virginia, Nov. May 14th, 1868.

George Beant Esq.

Dear Sir:

Herewith I return to you
your Order in favor of J. P. Gardner which was presented
today & paid - as per his indorsement. -

Yours truly,

W. W. Lowell

you will see what
can be done and
come out here or
send parties to
examine the property
as soon as possible.
I want \$50,000
dollars to open the
mines with
and as soon
as you can
yours Truly

Joseph H. Mott
to Mr. B. Bradford

Hot Creek
Aug the 8th 1868
Hon. Mr. Bradford

Dear Sir
your letter of the
12th of July came to
hand in due time &
found me well

Things are looking
well in the way of
mining out here at this
place and I concluded
to write you this letter
in order to keep you
posted in regard to
my enterprise out here
I am working on
two of my mines and
hauling the ore to
a small distance

you will see what
can be done and
come out here or
send parties to
examine the property
as soon as possible
I want \$50 Thousand
dollars to open the
mines with
answer as soon
as you can
yours Truly

Joseph H. Manning
to H. B. Bradford

Hot Creek
Aug the 8th 1868
Hon. H. B. Bradford

Dear Sir
your letter of the
12th of July came to
hand in due time &
found me well
Things are looking
well in the way of
mining out here at this
place and I concluded
to write you this letter
in order to keep you
posted in regard to
my enterprise out here
I am working on
two of my mines and
hauling the ore to
a small distance

of thirty five miles
and having it
worked. the ore
that I am having
worked is paying
me over \$100. per
ton. Mr Jeremiah
Miller visited
these mines last
week and offers to
put up a good 20 stamp
mill on the mines
for an interest in
them. Mr Miller
represents an Eastern
Co out here and they
own a fine Mill
out here in Reese
River that they are
willing to put up on
a good mining property
and he says this

property of mine
suits him.
I informed Mr Miller
of the proposition
that I had made to
you and that I was
not willing to make
any new arrangements
until I could hear
from you as I would
prefer a San Francisco
Co to an eastern Co
he told me to tell
you that he would
go in with any good
Company on this
property and put up
or furnish a mill
to the Co and take
an interest in the
Co with them for
the Mill

Chalk Bluff Aug 22 1878
Geo Hearst President of the
N C B B Co
Dear Sir

Mr Butler and myself have returned
to day from the Deer Creek where
we have been at work upon the
Wright claim, the same as I said
from your Co, for the past week,
the find little or no expense required
for immediate operations at this claim
Otherways than our clearing of the ground
placing of our floors &c. The lumber
for which I find by calling on Mr
Voss must be ordered within the next
two weeks. Owing to his being obliged
to take down and move his mill to
a new location some distance from the
present site, and will not be able to furnish
lumber on bills after that date.
On arriving at this place and inquiring

of Mr Stranahan. learn that there
has been no more made by the Co
in relation to the construction of a ditch
for the supply of water this being the
case I have delayed my further working
or Order for material untill there is a
Certainty of that of all things most useful
Article we have found by prospecting
this claim the past week by means of
the Rocker process and picking the
Gravel some distance to water, that very
good Wedge can be made the gravel paying
from the grass roots to the hard rock distance
some thirty feet about four feet from the
top down we find large prospect in
course gold nearly equal to the prospect
on the hard rock. But our object in
leasing this property was not to work it
with the Rocker under this picking
process. But by the Hydraulic power
water to be furnished by the Yuba Co through
the influence of the N C B Co will
your Co be so kind as to inform us

At as early date as consistent whether
we can expect and receive water this
coming fall or not if we wish
to put in our Order for material at once
as this is the immediate stress of operations
if not we wish to be at no further expense
than necessary

Yours Very Respectfully

Stranahan & Butler
3

San Francisco October 13th 1878.
To Messrs. Cog & Son

The letter from you
this morning is written by Robert Mc Dett of
Battle Mountain District, Humboldt Co., to Jas
J. McLean who is at present in Sonoma Cal.
His claim is called the Little Light.

They hauled a lot of ore to the Colconda Mill which
netted \$188.⁰⁰ per ton. The second lot of 32 tons
worked at same mill went to \$269.⁰⁰ per ton.

He says that he has 60000⁰⁰ worth of Ore on sight.
As to the location of the mine, Mr Mc Dett writes
under date of Sept. 25th, "The rails are laid and the

"Cars are running about 10 miles beyond Wimmeroca
"and the road is graded about 20 miles beyond
"here. The Cars will be running to this point
"within 30 days (from Sept 25th). Coaker says for us
"to appoint a committee to select a location for a
"depot, and he will put in a written for our benefit."

They are very anxious to get a mill and say that
the Shasta Mill can be moved there by J. Pond
within 30 days; probably it could be done so.

even now.

I have no doubt that very favorable terms could be made with them.

As we are at present situated, none of the owners in Shasta Mill or Mine wish to advance money to work the Mine; consequently the Mill is of no use and subjects us to the expense of a watchman and Taxes, say about \$100 or \$200 per year.

I have no doubt but that by the time you arrive at Winnemucca (or the further terminus of the passenger train) that you would be able to reach, at least the vicinity of Battle Mountain Dist., by a construction train.

Respectfully Yrs.

Wm. Morrison

P.S. The Owners of Shasta Mill & Mine have recently incorporated under the Laws of the State of California, as the Star Creek Mining Co. Capital Stock \$500,000 in 5000 Shares of \$100.00 Ea. 4000 Shares to be issued and 1000 to be held in reserve to be used as the Directors may see fit.

Mill and Mine free from all Law suits.
Squatters settled with and

19 Broad St. N.Y.
Dec 7th 68

Geo Nurse Esq

Dear Sir

I sent for
Wells Fargo & Co to you on Dec
first - a package of sample
ores from the Rising Star
Mine in Idaho. I shipped
a quantity of that ore
from Idaho to N.Y. I
have been testing it - by
the different processes
of working silver ores. I
find it - very Rebellious
and difficult to treat by
Amalgamation. The sample
I sent you I have tested by
dry concentration. I find
a far better result than

I had reason to anticipate
I have been working a Lead
mine in Map. The ore
being about 10% ~~of~~ lead defused
through the quartz. I am able
to take out by the dry concen-
trator 90% of all that is con-
tained in it. and am able to
work 2 tons per day with one
crusher 2 concentrators and
a twelve horse power and engine
the cost of the above ma-
chinery here is (5000) five
Thousand dollars. package
No 1 will show you the fine prime
that I crush the ore. and
prepare it for the concentrator
This machine is simple &
durable and does the work better
than any concentrator I have
ever seen. and in my judgement
will revolutionize the working
and dressing of certain class ores

I have tried it and find it to
work well on the Rising Star
ores. Sample No 1 shows the ore
as it is crushed with all metals
in No 2 is the tailings from the
machine. No 3 is the concentrated
portion of the ore. I sent you
also a small sample of the
one uncrushed. that you may
see that it is the rising Star
one. I am confident that I
have taken out 80% of
all that was contained in
the ore. this you can deter-
mine by assaying Nos 1 & 2. You
can also determine how rich
is the concentrated portion
in. I think it is about 5000
ore. I have not got my differ-
ent assays on the subject
yet. it will cost in Idaho
about (30) per ton of the crude
ore to dress it as you see ^{it} _{for sample}
+ files

St James Mo

Dec 8/68

Mr Hearst Esq

Dear Sir

I was sorry I did not get to see Mrs Hearst before she left this country. I made out by hard exertion to pay her \$1000. in Gbacks but it was impossible to pay at the time the \$200. in gold. I hope you will be satisfied with what I have paid her for the present, when I tell you that I just had \$3. left when I got back here a few days after she left. The fact of it is I never was in such a strait in my life. I really don't know what to do. I have been trying to get up a furnace business here at

mouth of the Coston, which is the best location for a furnace I ever saw & there is now a 100 pr % to be made by making iron but as times in this country have closed down tight it is hard to get capital at present. I have bought the ore bank from the family & as the bank is all the Capital I have to put in I can't go any farther at present. It has cost me during this trip a great deal more than I had any idea & as everything is going out & abt nothing coming in it is derish hard to get streghened up. I have nothing to do here & am as I have been ready to do anything or go anywhere to be doing I could sell my interest here but at nothing like what it is worth. This iron business will be in a year or two a good thing. As soon as they get a connection by RR through the City of St Louis to the River, so that the ore can be taken directly to the Boats. The Iron Mountain have a bigger thing now than there is in California in the sales of their ore. It nets them \$2½ in the ground pr ton. There is now a RR getting up from this place to Batesville Ark by way of Salem in Dent Co Mo, which if built will go by a bank of ore of ours - 20 miles South of this - which is as good a thing as the Iron Mountain. The income now from the sales of iron ore at the mountain is \$1,200. pr day & they could

sell five times the amt if they
transportation on the R.R. which
they are now getting up.

There are a number of large
ore tanks south of this on line
of this projected R.R. which can
be secured for sumily very little
& which I want to try & secure an
int, if I can get hold of any money
outside of what it costs me to be
here & my family in California.
The price asked for the Iron Mountain
is \$5,000,000. The sale of iron
ore is tremendous, & it is a thing
that is done without any effort.
At the same time I don't know
that I can get started in it as
some capital is required.

As it is I would just as leave
go back to California as any

place if I had something to
pay expenses. These iron tanks
won't spoil by keeping. We
have an ore bank $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles
from this place & are selling
ore to the Moselle Co for \$1 $\frac{1}{2}$
per ton in the ground they dig it
& haul it to the R.R. & take it
to Moselle Station & haul it one
mile to the furnace & then mix
it with their ore & in that way
are enabled to make good iron.
As we can't get through St. Louis
by rail Moselle is now the only
customer we have. They are now
taking out a contract of 6000 tons
& are about finishing. The original
cost of the bank was \$100.

Write me & let me know
what you are doing. I heard

you had been to Idaho &
thought certain you would
follow your little woman to
this country. I am very sorry
you did not come on —

What have you done with
that Star mine. Have you
got any div's from it yet or
have you become disgusted
& sold out. How does our
friend dent prosper. Remem-
ber me to him. If there is any
money to be made in Idaho or
Cal I would like to go out again.
If you see any of my family
tell them I am well.

How is real estate since
the earth quakes. I expect about
that time was a good time for
speculation. My regards to
Judge Haydenfeldt as I consider
him one of my friends. Yours truly
Annie James

THOS. McDONALD, }
A. L. SIMONDI. }

McDonald & Co., Assayers,

Silver City, N. M. December 11 1868

George Hearst Esq.
Dear Sir

I see by the papers that the Golden Chariot mine is incorporated and that you are one of the Directors. I should be very glad to get the assaying for the Company and would very much obliged to you if you would procure it for me. I do not think Mr. Beachy would object to it, and I believe I can give as much satisfaction as any one else.

Several large ledges have been struck at South Mountain within the last week or two. Argentiferous Galena with Silver to the ton from \$100 to \$200 - I have assayed several samples and am located in two of the claims. There is plenty of wood for smelting and I think not too far from the Railroad to be profitable.

The Idas Elmore Mill is pounding away on very rich rock and I think they will be able to keep her going continually from now on.

Sincerely yours
Thos. McDonald

Wytown Dec 25th 68

Friend Hearst

In accordance with
your request I went to Quartz
Mountain, examined the place
and prospected the Rock, could
not find much free Gold, but by
burning the Rock it shows Gold
and Silver, I think it contains
more Silver than Gold, and if worked
for Silver could be made profitable,

the Lode is from five to fifteen
feet thick, it will average ten feet,
the pay Rock is about four feet thick,
the claim is 1200 feet long & about
600 feet wide and all of it contains
Rock, the Lode covers the whole
hill side for the length of the claim,
and in a Gulch at the foot of the
Hill it then forms a regular Lode
and goes down nearly perpendicular.

I wish you would come and see it

as it is a hard matter to describe
it properly, it will suit you better
than any other party, your Water
Ditch runs along side of it, and
will furnish free water six months
of the year, getting Rock out of
the mine will not cost over one
dollar per ton, the location is
very convenient

I think you will like it
when you see it, the owners are good
men and want to sell, you have
not seen any of owners, they are
all here, the man ~~upon~~ whom you
speak is on the make, you come
here and do business with the parties,
them-selves, I think the most of
the Rock will pay from 5 to 7
dollars per ton,

be sure and come
Yours &c E Bullard

THOS. EWING & CO.,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL
Dealers in

GENERAL MERCHANDISE.

SILVER CITY, N. H.

Dec 24 1868

Geo. Hunt

Dear Friend yours
of 17th at hand. I am in
hopes you have made a
success of this Polio by this
time. I am now confined
to my room but will be
out in few days and make
this vacation as you desire
but do not believe we can

Hold it I have figured
with the Partis buying
the 1400 ft Extension and
can get it for \$3 per foot
all but 32 ft. which is owned
in New York but they will
guarantee this also I think
we had better buy it
to save trouble. As
far as selling my Gravel
let it go what ever
you have to have of it
and we will arrange that;

THOS. EWING & CO.,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL
Dealers in

GENERAL MERCHANDISE.

SILVER CITY, N.Y.

186

People are getting impatient
and fear this will be no
go. Now I hope Gov
will push the thing through
and let me hear from you
at once. The more we look
at up on the Hill 105000
dollar have had a crushing
them are only paid 1500
Attachment Suits have commenced

I think we can get the
whole thing for 5000 in
currency. Don't you
think it a good investment
with me in regard to
this I think there are
rich, or moderately so
say 50^{or} are!

Yours Truly
J. G. Brown

Rising Star Silver Mining Company.

Superintendent's Office.



Flint Dist, I. T., Dec 27 '1868.
Friend Recant:

Your letter of 19th inst, rec'd.

As you, (I presume) are aware, that by an accident, I have been for many days fast almost incapacitated to attend to office business, much less look after any thing out-side. I had supposed you were more fully, and better posted on the works here, than your letter indicates. I make mention of these things as facts, and not as an excuse or apology for any dereliction of duty you may prefer, or for any fault you may find against me.

I telegraphed, the 20th inst, to the office, that we started up and would commence crushing that afternoon - we did so, and crushed part of ^{this} Monday and at noon Sunday 22^d, as everything was working O.K., we commenced regular work, and since then have not shut down at all.

You have been informed daily at the

Office of the Engineer and results of work
since then. Everything about the
Mill is now running smooth, and we will
make you a shipment this week - by the 1st
of May.

Mr. Sanborn & Mr. Clarke, give favorable
reports of the mine. I have not been
to the mine since about the 1st of April.

I trust
we will be able to give you pleasing and
satisfactory results of work done here at
all times.

Wheeler, Cantor & Co. give and stages -
our runners - make regular trips between
this Camp and Silver City.

Yours friend

Joe Roberts, Jr.

To
Geo. Hearst.
San Juan Co., Cal.

2:23

MINING CORRESPONDENCE

1869-1870

72/204
c

Bankers,
General Express For-
warders and Collecting Agents
to all parts of the World, and
Carriers of the Great Through
Mails between the Atlantic
and Pacific Oceans.

OFFICE OF

Wells, Fargo & Company,

STAGE AND EXPRESS DEPARTMENT.

Bryan Station
Aug 3rd

1869

Friend Hearst:-

I start in the morning for Sweetwater. I have got a Bond or the Privilege on the Best mine there, or ~~for~~ four fifths of it - unless three or four old friends of mine that I met out here are the damnest fools on Earth. it is a huge thing you bet. it is down (106) feet - @ foot vein & they just swear it - pays (\$50) per ton, it will take too long to tell you all. price (\$60,000) in currency & build a Ten Stamp Gold mill, we can buy the Shuba mill at Humboldt & have it running in (40) days ~~that~~ These Coal mines are immense there is no money in them for us unless we can do as I told you last night - unless we can get \$130,000 \$200,000

Capital. don't say anything
 as I still think we can make
 a turn. Ashburner will go
 on West to Colville & Echo
 Canyon & finish up by the
 time I return from Sweetwater
 I will have ~~to~~ a jolly stage
 ride (95) miles & an awful Road
 Yamsin has
YMS

1)
 2332
 2000
 332

88333

800
 400
 800

209791

209791

60

42550

8200

50750

43900

88333

85567

177833

33350

200

33350

Silver City - Aug 8th / 94.

Dear Jaygor.

Mr. George Stewart
of Va city goes to your place for
the purpose of inspecting its
mineral resources. His experience
& credit commands entire
opinion to great credit. I have
spoken to him of your "Grey Eagle".
I want you to show him that
Sage & also the discovery claims
on the Atlanta - Go over to the
Yuba with him & show him
the whole country.

Your truly
J. Canale

To Geo W Jaygor Esq - Rocky - Ben.

Friend Ryan

Treasure City Sep 18 1869

How are things going in Frisco. Can
You make a go of the Gold Hill and Rogers Mines
I thought I would drop a line to see how You were
getting along. Times here are fearfully dull but
we expect from appearances they will soon pick up
The weather is delightful and the evenings cool
All the mines are improving and White Pine will
be all right yet. Well You cleaned out Stranbons
Cheries. Peach orchards. Now I suppose You are
raising a mope with the Melons and Grapes. You
are in luck certain. You can eat a large Watermelon
for me but be careful and not eat too early in the evening
as I want you to sleep sound and not be disturbed
during the night. I have nothing new to write You
from here as there is nothing new. but you give
those San Francisco Jills and all the white line Croakers
let me hear from you soon.

Truly Yours
Abram Rogers

Nevada City Sept. 13th 1869

Friend Hearst

I received your letter by due course of mail, and am not disappointed much in that man Bowldin. I think he is a regular Bilk. which I am very sorry for. I am afraid my time of redemption will expire before I can do anything with the mine. I have been trying to get Tidals consent to let me put in a flume and wash the Gravel this winter I believe. I could make nearly money enough this season to pay him. I hardly think he will let me do it. The entire cost of rigging up the Diggins wouldnt be over fifteen hundred dollars.

Now George if you would try right hard, I believe you could rig some peechan to get somebody to

take hold of the Penn. Mine.

Write me what day
Mrs Hearst will be up. so we can have
her stop at the House. and not
go in Town. The weather is very
fine. and I think she will enjoy
her trip very much. My wife
sends her regards to yourself & wife
and says Mrs. Hearst must not fail
to come up and make her a long
visit.

Your Friend J. H. Helm

Nevada City Dec. 7th 1871.

Friend Joe

I want you to send
me \$500. or five hundred dollars
assessment on quarter interest in
the Gold Tunnel. of yours. and
Hearst. I would like to have you
come up and see what I am
doing. Gaskviler was up yesterday
and stayed about five minutes.
hoping to hear from you soon.
I remain as ever

Your friend

J. H. Helm

P.S. send by check or by
Wells Fargo & Co

J. H. H

Nevada City Dec 20th 1871

Joseph Clark Esqr

Dear Sir,

About two weeks ago I wrote you a letter, asking for a five hundred dollar assessment on the Gold Tunnel Mine, but have received no answer. Now if you don't want the interest, I wish you would let me know immediately for there is a party here in Nevada that wants it, if you do want it send me the five hundred dollars for I have the money!

Respectfully yours

J. H. Helm

Empire District, New
Jan. 6th. 1871
Friendhurst

Having left Spring Valley
a short time since I concluded to
write you my whereabouts. Prospects
&c. I am now stopping in the town
named District situated fifteen miles
South of Hot Creek and about 30 miles
in an easterly direction from Belmont.

There are some good mines here and
that I call mines. The first that
I shall mention to you, is one called
the "L. G. Lode" which crops for $\frac{3}{4}$
of a mile cropping Ruins and carries
the same Mineral the whole distance
and assays tried that the Bureau
did. It can be traced for over 2 miles
but carries different Minerals in different
places. Its Casings are slate on one
side and Granite and Gneiss on the other.

On the other It has been worked on
in several places the distance of $\frac{3}{4}$ of
a mile and assaying about the same
in each place. It is a good 4 foot
 vein and stands nearly on its edge
rather inclined to run into the Hill.
It has been discovered about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile
from the Original "D.G." Location on the
North West End. Showing beautiful ore
and appears to be about Eight feet in
width. I am interested in the location
and I am now busy tracing and trying to
prove whether it is the same as the
"D.G." - The Ore resembles the Buesky
in appearance but contains more Blaes,
Sulphates and more about 20% Cent in Lead
Out of 13 assays from the D.G. which
we had made by a good reliable assayer
the lowest was 196, " and the highest
780, - Money can be invested here
to a better advantage now than any
place that I have seen since 1860
The mines are not developed much

Yet but work is going on every day
I answer this as soon as convenient
and I will write and keep you posted
in regard to prospects &c.
My Regards, To, J. L. L. John
Yours with my best
Wishes
L. C. York

P. S.
If you should come by way of Eureka
you probably may meet parties that still
speak against this place. They are men
that have made several trips here and
judging from their actions and what I have
heard them say they have a selfish motive
in trying to monopolize the whole concern
themselves. If you will be guided by
what I tell you you will find it just
as I have represented it.
Address "Fort. Ores, T. O. Nye, C."
Nevada. Yours &c
York

Dayton Jan 24th 1870
Geo. Hearst Esq
San Francisco

Dear Sir

I happened to see
your letter written to W. O. Clark, from
the words I should judge you were basely
misinformed. I never said or even intended
to force you to pay me, or withhold the Keys
from any one you saw fit to take charge of
your property, on the contrary, I told W. O. Clark
several months ago, that whenever he wished
to take charge he could have the Keys. The
person informing you of the above lied, and I
should be pleased to learn from you who it is.
As regards the order you paid Geo. Coombs
after I had given you a receipt in full up to
date, does not signify that you paid same
amount twice, or that I had intended to
have you pay it twice. If I am not mistaken
I gave you a receipt from a certain date, to

a certain date, and the order of Mrs. Crofts
you will find was previous to either one of
those dates. As for learning me any thing
Mr. Hearst, that's all right, I am not ~~wild~~
to learn, so far, I allways have tried to act
honorable and allways shall.

I am sorry, after having been in your employ
so long a time, that it should be necessary
for me to write a letter of explanation of
this kind. Hoping this may meet with some
satisfaction I remain

Yours Respectfully
J. B. Howard

To be answered

W M Lind Esq.
San Francisco

Omaha Oct 7 = 1870.

Dear Sir!

As the matter stands here
I suppose I will have to return to California
with all probability. I saw Mr Mead but he
went off on business in a hurry and is not yet
back. Meanwhile I see that Mr Balbach
is already engaged to put up works here
for the same company. (to work 10 tons of bullion
per day). I understand that there is no inten-
tion of putting up smelting works at present.

I am not able to understand, what I have
been called for under such circumstances,
but I think there must be a mistake some-
where or Mr Balbach was engaged while I
was on the road. I defer writing to Genl
Lodge because I know nothing positive direct
from Mr Mead ~~who~~ will not be back
untill Tuesday next. But the Balbach business

is a fact.

Now I want to write something confidential. The abundance of smelting ore in the cottonwood and adjoining districts is out of question. The large export of ore proves it. I read that Col Ducl offered \$350,000 for the Emma ledge but it was refused.

Ogden is a far better place for metalurgical operations than Omaha. I am sure that cupelling on a large scale would prove either cheaper or at least a trifle more expensive than the zinc process as proposed here by Mr Balbach. Not only the separation will be cheaper, but it requires less capital to establish the works. Going back I intend to stop at Ogden to examine the place and will make also a trip to the mines. Mr Kidwell from Washington telegraphed to me to expect him at the Station here. He offered me, in case I should not come to an understanding here,

funds to put up separation works at Ogden. I intend to write him but not before I have seen you.

Respectfully Yours

G Knapp

Sacramento Nov 23rd 1872

Geo Hearst:

Dear Sir:

Having waited for you
or rather the settlement over three months
in San Francisco, it was an unfortunate move
yesterday that I started for Amador.

The Report I left with Mr O. Hofmann
who will hand it over to you, I do not know
whether it will meet your expectation, but
you can rely on its perfect correctness.

My bill is \$ 1500 I can pay for
8 months. Please pay that sum to
Mr Hofmann who has my bill in hand
and oblige you

Truly

G Knott

Smarts.ville Feb 28th /70

George Hurst Yuba Co

Dear Sir

My writing
to you is this I have been here some
time and am well posted as regards
the mining claims here and how they
pay they are good mines and pay
well which you are perhaps aware of
what I want to say to you is this
there is a fine show for a big specu-
lation here there is no risk about it
there is a large lot of Claims laying to-
gether owned by one man except some
few interests that wants buying up
then with his Claims it would make
one of the best claims here and
largest. My present circumstances I
can do nothing with it so I thought
I would let you know for there
is Big Money in it now George

John Pickler

if you would like to take hold
of it write or come up I would
like you to see it then I could
give you all the particulars con-
cerning them please keep this
this private for there is some
of the big claim owners has their
eye on this and they would pitch
in if they thought any one else
was after them. if you come up
let no one know your business for
things would have to be done quiet
to succeed.

Yours Truly John Dickelton

p.s. if you think favorable of
the matter I have partially described
to you the quicker it is attended
to the better it is well worth
your attention
J.R.

p.s. please answer if you approve or not.

if you come up write the day
before so as I will be looking for you
J.R.

earliest an answer as
possible for if you all
don't take hold of it I
shall propose it to others.

This is so much better
than any other thing I
have seen, that you
need not trouble yourself
about the Monte Christo.

Truly yours

Louis Janine J

of
Linnings

Virginia April 20th 70
Geo. Hearst Esq

Dr Sir

Yesterday I wrote
a note to Jasper McDonald
asking him whether he felt
inclined to go into a mining
scheme subject to a thorough
examination. I requested
him to speak to you about
it as you are more or less
familiar with the nature
of the ore and the mining
district - East of Silver City.
Since we rode over that
section together I have
made two trips to the various
mines, and now coincide
with your views, namely that
this region offers a better

chance than any other
up here.

My idea is, to buy the
mines and put up the
necessary mill, and I
estimate that the whole
enterprise will cost about
\$40000 - say \$10000 for the
mines, \$25000 for the mill
and \$5000 for materials
and working capital. More
money would be
required if more mines
are to be bought, and I
think that the quantity
of ore that could be obtained
is quite large.

But I propose to do
nothing definite until
a thorough examination
has been made, which
I will make as soon
as I have secured the

necessary mines. I
want somebody to agree
to put the scheme through
should the examination
prove favorable, and in
consideration of my making
the report, for them to pay
the expenses of a proper
test. I charge nothing,
but wish to have an
interest in the concern
on terms to be hereafter
agreed upon.

If you have not
already seen Mr. Denard
hunt him up, and have
a talk with him about
this matter. You can
tell him whether you
think it worth while
to incur the expense of
an examination.

I wish to have as

Weytown
May 10/70

Geo. Hunt Esq

Mr Sir my son
Eugene is at the College there
& as he needs some funds
I gave him a check - on
you for \$60 ⁰⁰ this if paid
will be all I will ask -
for - the attention to your -
Morts Mill & 8 - from
Nov 19/69 to the 19 of May
1870" & no this will be
less than you proposed to
give your son - you
proposed 3 ⁰⁰ pr week I have
this for - gave it all the
attention I wanted had it all
been my own the top Rock
that was Holly to the Palmer -
Mill from the Pennsylvania
paid a little over 500 pr ton
no further prospecting will be
done till I see you W. O. Clark

Drytown
Nov. 20/71

Geo. Hurst Esq

Dear Sir when
I was down to the City I missed
seeing you your Mill is all
right - The Taxes is same \$58⁰⁰ -
if you wish me to pay I will
do so. There is some good rock-
quarts found near there so I think
there will be a chance to run the
mill yes - any thing I can do
for you in renting it out or
any information you may
want will render it at once
& will be glad to see you when
I come down

Respectfully
W. O. Clark

Mountain City Nev
Cape dis

May 14 1870

Mr George Hurst
San Francisco

Dear Sir when
when you left here last fall I promised
to write to you the snow is all gone
Spring has opened the Mines are looking
well the Mill is running on Argenta
ore which is paying well we need more
mills in here a good Water Mill would
be good in treatment the great trouble here
is Miners cant get their ore worked as
the stamp Mill is bound to the Argenta
Company there is a great deal of Rich ore
here that would be taken out if could
get it worked wood here is worth 10 dols
per load the place Mines are paying well
the Manoth party have a good Ledge
at Bulls Run which they offer for sale
at a reasonable price the party Ledge
Hill Beashey ^{is here} Beashey is making arrangements
to stock the Road through to Silver
City I think you had better come up
and take another look at the camp

a great May New Ledges have been
struck since you was in here last
fall the weather here is fine the roads
are getting good

Yours A Fisher

San Francisco June 14th 1861

Mr. Huest & Ashurst and Messrs. Pearson & Co.
Gentlemen according to a Contract made in 1858
I have got your land erected Ditching Works sunk a drift
and drifted two drifts on the Red Bladder River
at Arroyo. I am now prepared to surrender
the Contract upon the payment to me of the
Sum of \$8000 Eight Thousand, a Ded for one third of
the profit and the payment to me of two thirds
the cost of the dam & Murre River in the Creek for the
purpose of carrying the Waters thereof over the River.
also two thirds of the cost of Docks and other Stocks
on hand

Very Respectfully
John A. Mullen

Grass Valley June 8. 1870
Friend George.

I have found one of the good things again, a new strike on an old mine. Three shafts down to the ledge about 50 ft deep - they keep the mine clear of water with 4 cinamen.

And they have just finished up a crushing which paid 114-⁰⁰ Dollars per load.

And they have got out about thirty loads at the mine. which they set at from 50- to 70- Dollars per load - which is a trifle over one ton.

The mine is an old location which belonged to Rush and Laton. Some parties jumped it and when they struck it rich they bought Rush & Laton out - which leaves them a clear title to 2600 ft on the ledge. The mine is about $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile from the Empire - Ophir Hill

And the chances are that it is just as good a mine as the Empire
over —

The mine can be bought for \$15000-⁰⁰ Dollars - And there is no doubt but it can be paid for within 60- days work - at the same rate they are taking out ore - I would suggest to you to come up and examine it I think it will suit you at the price - let hear from you by return mail whether you will come or not
yours Truly
J. T. Bradley

Portez June 16-79
J. W. Hunt Esq
San Francisco

Should you come here & I not
see you please give me a
call. If you want to buy an
Ortrot for some thing fat a
low figure. I have them for
sale.

Yours Resp.
S. B. B.

Portez
Via Be-o-ra-wi Nevada

26 Hayward's Building,
San Francisco, July 26th. 1870 }

Dear Sir,

There is due on your promissory of
the Capital Stock in the Meadow Valley Extension
Mining Company, issued in the name of Henry
Jamin, the sum of One hundred and nine
74/100 Dollars, (\$109.74) which, as the Company are
making a remittance to the mine, it is necessary
should be paid in, in the course of to-day or tomorrow
to accomplish that object. I am desired by the
Directors to request your prompt attention to the same.
and remain, Respectfully Yours -

J. W. Colburn Sec.
Meadow V. Ex. M. Co -

George Hearst Esq.
San Francisco }

Mineral Hill Sept 21/70

Geo. Hearst Esq
San Francisco }
Dr. Sir

Since I come
up I find things changed in regard
to the Austin Mine they Co. will
not allow me to sell now unless
I get them two hundred thousand
cash down, and make my commis-
sion above that amount
and unless you could get it off for
225000 there would be no show of making
anything out of it. if this other
matter with the other Co. was settled
things would work better here

Mr. Spencer is gone to Astoria
and will be out next week

The Compney claims to have on their
dumps 400 tons of ore, first and second
class that will arrive from \$250. to 300 pr.
ton. The mine is looking much
better than when you see it
and the party claim from fifty
to seventy five thousand dollars in
sight in the mine... and at present
are not over anxious to sell the mass
of ore... you when
down for... we to be
attend. The... to San Francisco
but I failed... before leaving
if you... can get off
the property... know
and... yours truly

J. Russell

Mr. Spencer is gone to London
and will be out next week

The Company claims to have on their
dumps 400 tons of ore, first and second
class that will bring from \$250. to 300 pr.
ton. The mine is looking much
better than when you saw it
and the party claim from fifty
to seventy five thousand dollars in
sight in the mine, and at present

are not over anxious to sell. The value
of some of the ore is \$1000 per ton when
shown the proper market. It is to be
offered in the market to the insurance
but I feel that it is better to leave

if you have any more to get off
the property of the mine and know
and believe of your truly
J. W. Russell

Eureka, Nev. Sept. 29th 1870

Geo. T. Bradley Esq
San Francisco Cal. } Dear Sir

Your letter of the 25th inst. recd. this morning. Contents duly noted. I had hoped to hear from you the first part of last week, and began to think that you was out of the city.

I wish I could realize your kind wishes expressed in the latter part of your note, but there seems to be no such luck for me. I was not aware that any one in Frisco had Jones' mine for sale; nothing of the sort was ever intimated to me. A day or two after writing to you I received a note from Mr. Jones, which I enclose to you, from it you can form some kind of an idea, as to how he holds his two mines. I have since saw Mr. J. and have been to see his mine again. Is now sending what he has out, to Austin (80 miles off) Thinks this lot will work better than the ore worked at "Monte Cristo" mill, that went \$153.⁷¹ Should not get him to agree or say that he would take any less than the sum named in his letter. Should Hearst or any one of the Experts known below, examine the mine, they would / I am sure / make a favorable report. For some time past I

have been in correspondence with a man by the name of S. A. Raymond (formerly of White Pine) who has an office in room 2. No 432 Montgomery St. He has bolstered me with the idea that he could dispose of mines, more especially at the East. So far he has done nothing & I think that he can do nothing. He is now absent from the city leaving his business in the hands of one Wm Gardner. The idea, this moment, strikes me that he may be that Gardner late with Credit Sherman to Fr. City.

I have sent them some 12 or 15 mines, among others several that I think you could handle without trouble.

Among the very best is three locations of 600 ft ea. belonging to Jack Fulton & Partners, (of the Leviathan mine on Argyle Hill) Two of these are excellent. Jack has sold some 1/2 tons worth of ore at \$30 per ton. The ore is a Carbonate of Lead & works splendidly in the furnace yielding over \$100. per ton Silver & Gold. "Badger" mine best, topper No. 1 & 2 (No. 2. best) Jack asks \$12,000. for all. Worth it easily enough. Nearly that amt. of ore taken out. Three men can take out from 5 to 8 tons on a shift. A counter claim was set up by some parties & an injunction laid, That was raised last Saturday & now all is smooth. Do you live in S. P.? Write soon again -

Yours respy.

Geo. W. Kinney

P. A. BOMMEN, AGENT, ELKO.

GEORGE COWLES, AGENT, HAMILTON

W. L. PRITCHARD,

Fast Freighter from Elko to White Pine.

Hamilton, Nev., Oct 13th 1870

George Hearst Esq

or Sir

I wish you would see the Managers of the Hearst Mine and ascertain from them on what terms they would let the Chicago Company have the Mine to prospect for thirty or sixty days with a view of purchasing ~~and~~ at the expiration of that time. I had a talk with Mr Thornburg when he was here about working the Mine. he wanted us to pay Seven hundred and fifty dollars for the privilege of taking out Rock for thirty days. after making careful examinations and having the Rock assayed

we came to the conclusion that it would
not justify us to pay that price for so
short a time. I think you might manage
it to let us go in there and work it for
thirty-days and if the Mine suits that I
could negotiate a sale so that you and
I might make some money out of it
It is better for your company to get
something out of it than to let it remain
as it is please ascertain as soon as possible
and write me fully. I can certainly make
a sale of it if it suits at a reasonable
figure

Yours Respectfully

James Croft.

2:24

MINING CORRESPONDENCE

1871

72/204
c

OFFICE CHOLLAR-POTOSI MINING CO.

SAN FRANCISCO

1870

W. Geo. Hearst,

In answer to my
telegram C. W. Hobart says,
"If Mr. Hearst leaves Thursday
morning that will do". Shall
I reply that you will
go then?

Respectfully

W. E. Peary

Stockton Utah April 16/87
Dear Mr Hearst

I wrote you yesterday about
the the Metropolitan Sale & reflected somewhat
on parties trying to Jew me down below a living price
I now write to inform you that I did not mean either
Mr Chambers or Hosmer. Mr Chambers I
consider the heart of a good fellow a man I esteem
highly & I think is a good friend of mine I am mad
knowing you have the opportunities & disposition to
serve me, that any one should step in selfishly
& multiply your friendships for me. I will wait
your letter in reply & then proceed on my
prospecting trip when I am most sanguine of
getting something good. Chilling ore that you
can take hold of & no man living will get
a show at it until you see it

Since you left we got a ledge of Galena
& Carbonate ore in the Miners widening as it goes
down at 40 feet it was 3 inches wide now
at 60 feet 12 inches assay #163 Silver &
50 per cent lead, we think it will be a big
ledge as it is a quartz ledge 12 feet wide on
the top. the Waterman is 5 feet wide at the

depth of 25 feet & is as you saw Palena &
Carbonate, the district is a live with prospectors
& promises to be very lively this Spring & Summer
the Grand Cross is sold & the owners got their
money all O.K.

I hope to hear from you
as soon as you get these communications
hoping you are well I am my dear Sir

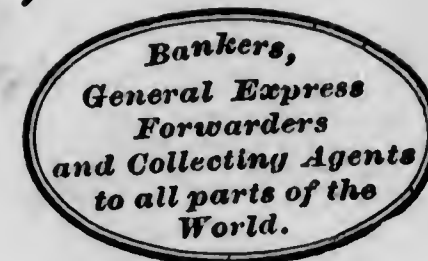
Your friend & most truly
John D. Gallagher

San Francisco June 30th 1871
S W Carr Esq
Schenectady
Dear Sir

This will
be handed you by Mr George Hearst
who is making an inspection of mines
in your part of Country.

He wants to look at the McCullough
and Francis Mines. Please introduce
to Mr Brooks who will give him
full particulars and oblige

Yours Very Truly
R R Stevens



OFFICE OF
WELLS FARGO AND COMPANY.
(EXPRESS.)

Galena May 23^d 1871.

George Hearst Esq.
San Francisco.

Dear Sir!

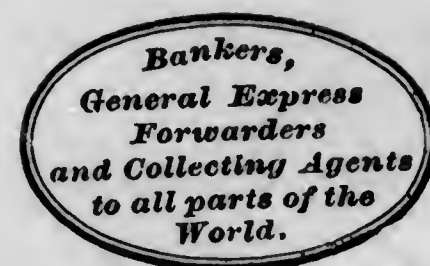
Although rumor has announced your coming to our camp more than once, so far you seem to have forgotten us entirely. I presume you want to see first some tangible proof from the Butte, before giving our district another trial. I hope you will see some substantial evidence in the latter part of next month, it can not fail, that the Nevada B. & C. under good management will make a mark yet in the list of Mining Companies, and you will find that the Mine will come up fully to expectations. Lately I had some very good average assays of from \$100 - 150 per ton.

If your other engagements allow it, I think it would pay you well to come here once more. There are no real good claims developed in this district in immediate neighborhood since you left, the White Mine excepted, owned as you know by Earl & Knowls. At a low estimate this mine has 1000 tons of ore, with will net \$300 per ton, in the reserves, the works consisting only of a shaft 140 feet deep, ~~near~~ west of the vein, and three levels running north from it on the

the lead, 100-150 in length. The lowest level is 112 feet below the surface and about 120 feet long; it looks very well in deed. A winze about 100 feet North from the shaft connects the middle level with the upper one. - Nothing has been done on the Philoh or Avalanche - The Little Giant, which I understand is now owned by Eastwiler, is improving; in the winze from the lower level a well defined lead carrying galena assaying from \$400-500 per ton has been found. I have not seen it myself, but report says the lead to be from 2-3 feet in width.

The most promising mine, without exception, of this district is the Trenton Mine. A Mr. Farrow has been here to look at it; I understand he came to the conclusion, it was but a small affair, too small to be worth looking after. I enclose some remarks about the Mine, which I wrote in January; my opinion is based on a careful study of the Mine, and not on a flying visit of half an hour duration as Mr. Farrow's; I feel satisfied, that by a personal inspection you will find all the facts in the remarks confirmed.

Since writing those remarks the drift on the vein from the lower tunnel has been continued to the 93 feet shaft, and run about 6 feet north beyond the shaft; the vein has here greatly improved, and shows a fine



OFFICE OF
WELLS FARGO AND COMPANY.
(EXPRESS.)

187

pay seam of from 12-15 inches. The 35 feet vein has been further explored by an incline of about 90 feet in depth below the level of the lower tunnel, which incline has been sunk on the hanging wall. A closer examination of this large vein in the level of the tunnel has resulted in the finding of a 18 inch seam of ore of \$80 per ton near the footwall, and of another seam of 6 inches in the centre, carrying ore assaying \$150 per ton. This latter seam is being followed by a drift, now in about 10 feet, the seam continuing. In sinking the incline several seams have been cut of from 6-8 inches carrying ore assaying as high as \$250 per ton, all these seams are making for the foot wall. The immense size of this ledge, different from any thing found so far in this district and the different character of the ore, which was not recognized, are the reasons, which have prevented the owner from opening this lead more extensively, the incline should have been sunk on the foot wall, but the ground here required timbering. You might think me rather craggy, but I cannot help thinking, that this lead comes nearer to the Comstock, than any I have seen yet in Nevada.

I first went to the Mine for Henry Lawin, who promised to look at it, if I should think favorable about it. His other engagements no doubt prevented him from fulfilling his promise. Judge Goodwin from Eureka then made a bargain for it, but it seems Farrens report spoiled it. Capt. J. B. Richards, Agent of the B. & M. Co. wants to have it for an English Co., but his sickness has prevented him from going yet to the Mine. He has no doubt, that the Mine will be acceptable to his friends; but I should like to see the Mine in the hands of a California Co. as this would be better for our camp, and this is the reason I send you my notes. If you intend to do something, please let me know at your earliest opportunity; the mine is really worth all the money asked for (\$15,000), without taking in consideration the 35 feet vein.

The Mine is idle, as the ore can not be worked to satisfaction without roasting; and although the owner could make arrangements for putting up the necessary improvements, but they prefer disposing of their property to becoming indebted to one of their partners, the only moneyed man in the Company.

Truly yours,

John Kaudohr.

Galena Jan 11th 1873.

George Hearst Esq

My dear Sir!

Mr Emerson going to Belmont, I use this opportunity of writing to you. I have nothing else to say than to ask you the favor if it (in any way convenient to you) to go to Unionville and to look at our property. It looks rather stormy to day, and I am afraid the road which I proposed to go will be impassable, therefore I propose to let me know, when you will be at the Station, as I should like very much to accompany you. If time should not allow me to meet you at the Station, you will find Peter Sprey in Unionville who will show you all around, and whom I can recommend you, as a entirely reliable person.

Hoping to see you again soon I remain yours

very truly

Wm Hamlin

En Whit 28⁵ North of shaft has been struck very rich ore, averaging over \$3000 per ton, there seems to be quite a streak of it.

Detroit Michigan

Jan 30 1871

Dear Hearsh-

Wrote you Sunday from
Hyde Park in relation to Abel Loomer
enclosed you also a specimen of
filon & Silite Mining Co's ore. Have seen
here about 250 tons of the ore. Ten tons
first class between 5 & 6000 per ton. Forty
tons 2nd class between 3 & 4000. & 200 tons
of general ore matter about \$43 per ton.
A Toledo Co have here about 50 tons just
arrived of first & second class ore fully
equal to the above, which they get on
the main land about 70 miles from
the Ashby Co location.

It seems to be the general
opinion here that that whole country abounds
in ledge & that the average is higher than
known anywhere else.

I wish you were down
here. If you could bring your long mining

experience to bear on the north shore of
Lake Superior where these ore came from
you could make ~~the~~ a very large stake.
There are but few here or on the ground
who know anything about silver ores or
silver mining practically & if I had you
here to prospect they with my Kentucky
influence, as this is so near home or
half a dozen Companies of large Capital
could be organized on the stock sold at
a near price. At least so it seems
to me. If you should take a notion
to visit your friends in Kentucky within
the next six weeks telegraph me &
we can spend a fortnight on the Lake
Superior mining ground & make enough
to pay expenses any way, if we don't
do any more.

I leave here tonight for
Brooklyn & shall spend a month
there or on the sea shore near there.
Should you want to communicate with
me, direct either letters or dispatches to
the care of Mrs Mary K. Newell No 250
1st Main St Providence R.I. & they will be

The Iron ore is low grade ore &
I think there is a large deposits
of it there - there is very evidence
of it

Yrs truly

A. Nuttlebury

A. Nuttlebury
Dear Glen July 2nd 1878
He wrote

Dear Glen
July 2nd 71

My dear Sir

I hope the
sack of Mammoth rock
has come to hand all right
I sent it yesterday by your
butcher - the location is the
1st South Dr of the Mammoth
series of four ledges - the ledges
run in a northerly & southerly
direction - there is the out crop
ping of a large ledge - perhaps
five feet - on this claim and a
tunnel running in a southerly
direction for it, in about sixty
feet in which we struck the ledge
and run in beyond - ledge lay
rather flat but not more so
than we might expect in the

District. There is a good head
Wall - commenced to chamber
~~out~~ took title out some ore
- a lot of four or five ton on the
dump but it has been cul
led over so often that it
is not worth while speaking
of it. There has been so much
going out of all the Mineral
in sight that it does not look
as well as it ought & did.
Below the above tunnel & within
a hundred yards is another
tunnel running in a South Westerly
direction to cut across
the ledge - it is in, open cut
& tunnel 90 feet and in the
further end we cut across
already numerous stringers of
Quartz with such mineral as I
send you - I can't say indeed how
large this ledge is but it will be

three feet & upwards - I think
with a very small amount of
Capital to back our this property
could be made to pay its way
almost immediately & before
long be a very valuable piece
of property - I have often consid-
erable expense & trouble got
the title in myself & have had
for a year past. As you know
I am rather weak on mines
turning my attention to the
business of stock raising - And
now I will sell at what I believe
to be a sacrifice -

If the rock or ore
out will work or suit any
party I would like them to come
& see the Claim - it has to be seen
to be appreciated - it is within
a mile of the Shuba mine - No
road to be built - -

Pueco July 71

N. N. Berry Esq.
San Rafael

I wrote to you the 2nd that Hearst
had the privilege to work the Bowers
mine for 90 days that one quarter of the
property was reserved for you and me
and you would within that delay advise
with him and learn how to sell part of stock
for payment of mine ^{and} expenses. Say 30 or
35000. dollars. 25000 principal and 5 or 6. exp.
the boys who own it are unoccupied and
with anxiety that time wasted in waiting
for their money and from them last night
I know that they would take 15000. &
wishes you would be able to have them
come to San Rafael ^{or see them in person} and if you see that
my ideas are right try to have them carried
we have in dump and sight some 21. or 24
thousand dollar worth of ore which can be
taken out and crushed in a month and will net
about 10. or 12000 dollars. Suppose the mine
is paid 15000 and 5000 dollars worth of

work set on it and nothing is found
the loss would be 8,000. but have the
manipulation of those 22,000 of Bullion
which would have a great effect. Suppose
again the same that the developments
are bad and the mine not better than
5 or 6,000 others will be dead loss and
nothing to make it any better or no show
to get out. Mr. Stewart has felt a kind
of fear of feelings of the Grover co. towards
me and has set me aside in the direction of
this ^{work} ~~affair~~ here. I will not remonstrate and
think it is for the best as it is his money which
goes, but if this change of proposition is
made to the boys it is absolutely through
my exertion that it ^{will have} ~~can~~ be brought out.
and if I prove shrewd and correct I
think I ought to have more to say about
the future management than a stranger but
this I would not say till success.
Things take a peaceful turn I think they are afraid of
the report of their standing army of cutthroats. The mill
of the CO will start later part of the month off from Bowery
can be crushed at Silver Park. Love to all.
Yours L. L. L.

SALT LAKE OFFICE at CO-OPERATIVE DRUG STORE,
WEST SIDE MAIN STREET,

T.T.1.

The Central Pacific Division
OF THE
Atlantic and Pacific Telegraph Company.

The rules of this Company require that all messages received for transmission shall be written on the message blanks of the Company, under and subject to the conditions printed thereon, which conditions have been agreed to by the sender of the following message.

LELAND STANFORD, President.

F. L. VANDENBURGH, Gen'l Sup't,
San Francisco.

San Francisco 7 187

Received at

Aug 7

1871

5:30 PM.

To George Hearst

The following date Victoria
and seventh will you come here
by with steamer or shall I
come down all working well
C. C. Lane what shall I
answer

M. P. Cassants

ND Spaid 87 B

TELEGRAPHIC CONNECTION WITH ALL POINTS IN
UTAH, Including LITTLE COTTONWOOD MINES.

Drytown Aug 28th 1871
Mr George Hearst

Dear Sir

I take

a moment this evening to write you
some time ago I was talking to you
about taking an interest in our
mine, since that time Mr Nelson
saw you in relation to the matter,
he are sinking at this time, we have
gone down about 35 feet since we
commenced our last. and the
rock is improving every foot we go.
in fact the mine has never looked
as well as it does at the present time
we can see gold in every tub full
we take out, and the whole ledge
prospects well, now if you want to
take one half of the mine let me
hear from you, there is no better showing
in Canada Co for an investment,
I must have some money by the 10th
of Sept. And if you would like an

Please Answer by this Line.

interest come up and look at
the place, I am satisfied you
would take hold of it if you was
to see it. Let me hear from you
immediately.

I am as ever yours

J. H. Mayon

Drytown, Aug 1871

Yours

J. C. Tate
or Geo Keenist

Gents

After a long time I have got
my affairs settled, both here and
in Virginia, and I am on my way
to Utah. I have received several
letters recently from parties in Salt
Lake City who propose to buy or rather
sell some of our mines on Sevier.
I want to find out the whereabouts
of Bill Davis. On receipt of this
please answer immediately, do not
fail, and let me know where Bill
is. Also if you know where Lewis is
who went with me to Sevier. I have
not had a letter from him or Smith
for five months.

I remain here until
I receive an answer from you

Where are Keaswell & Wilbur?

Hamilton Nev
Sept 13th 1871.

Write by Return
Mail

Yours in haste
Lloyd Finzell

Office of Great Basin Mining Co
308 Walnut St.

Philadelphia Pa. Sep 22. 1871.

George Hearst Esq -
San Francisco Cal.

Dear Sir

The bond,

or option of purchase of 500 feet in the
Glacier mine near Treasure City Nevada
which was executed by messrs Haydenfeldt
Loyd and yourself expires Nov 1st 1871.
and as you are doubtless aware the compromise
with the Eberhardt party by which the Glacier
lost 116 ft of ground has very greatly hindered
the pending negotiations for a sale of the
mine. It is our great desire to close the
matter up, and must ask you to extend the
time for your bond to expire. One of our
associates is now in London and asks me
to write you thus. Please make the time expire
beyond the first of Jan'y 1872 and as much beyond it
as you feel inclined. As we are not expecting or
trying to make any profit off your interest, and as the
whole care & concern of this matter has fallen upon us, I
feel sure you will not hesitate to do as requested.

Possibly our Mr Crawford has already seen you in regard
to this matter we desire nothing but what is equitable and will
try to have the sale made at the earliest
possible moment. Respectfully Yours. J. Camoghan Pres.

J. L. Camoghan

Sept. 22 - 1871

re mine in Nevada

{ Haydenfeldt
Lloyd
Hedrick

To be attended to on
Monday next, letter from
Philadelphia 22nd Sept/71

D. S. Brunel
Sept. 24 - 1871

^{mine}
Bullion City Ore Co.
Utah
Sept. 24th 1871

George Hearst Esq.,
Dear Sir,

We have
found the lode on the
Hill (formerly the Pride
of the West) the Belle
of Utah.

I have made a location
of three thousand (3000)
feet and have had it re-
corded. We are sinking a
shaft about 60 feet from
the old shaft where you
saw us putting up a win-
dless.

Mr. Pink has collect

ed seventy five (\$75⁰⁰)
dollars of Mr. Oppenheim
that all he could get.
he says he has some
private ops with you
now. Sir, you will
oblige me very much
by telegraphing to
Wells, Fargo & Co. to
pay me or to my order
four hundred & twenty
five dollars.

Also mention whether
we shall keep at work
you paying one half the
expenses when call upon
The lode is between three
or four feet wide.
The quartz look well
or the same as you saw
on the dump.
I will be in the city
to get supply &c.

by the time I hear
from you there.
I will leave here with
Hess ~~at~~ the middle of
this week and will hurry
back as my pocket book
is very low.

Respectfully yours
Isaac D. Brunel

7. J. Rineck
Sept. 25 - 1871

Salt Lake City U T
Sept 25th 1871

George Hearst

Sir I have been
out of town a few days. just
got back last night. found a
letter here dated Sept 10. from
Tate & Brunel. at Silver Mines
they were sinking for the mine had
good indications and expect to
find it soon. I will let you
know the result as soon as I
hear from them again.

The order you gave to
J B Brunel I collected but only
got 75.⁰⁰ in currency for it.

I had to go after it several times,
and he claims to have some other
little account with you which he
will settle with you only.

I shall be here in Salt Lake
for some time. and am short of
funds. please send me the balance
of the 200 dollars.

I received from you at
Bullion Series minus 20.⁰⁰
and from Oppenheimer 75.⁰⁰
making in all 95.⁰⁰
Balance yet due \$105.⁰⁰

If you send by mail
Address F. J. Rieck
Salt Lake City U.S.
Lock Box 526

or Union Telegraph Co's Office by Telegraph
P.S. please let me hear from
you immediately
F. J. R.

No. 1.

The Western Union Telegraph Company.

Pacific Division.

The rules of this Company require that all messages received for transmission, shall be written on the message blanks of the Company, under and subject to the conditions printed thereon, which conditions have been agreed to, by the sender of the following message.

WM. ORTON, President, } New York.
O. H. PALMER, Secretary.

G. H. MUMFORD, General Agent, } San Francisco.
JAS. GAMBLE, General Sup't.

3
San Fran Sept 26 1871

Received at Eureka 24 1871 12⁰³ P.M.

To Geo Hearst

See Frank Proctor who
will inform you as to
the deposit on Lookout
and Richmond show
him this dispatch,
and Telegraph Haggen
the result of
investigation

W G Kelly
26 paid
G J

No 442 Pacific St
Corner of Avenue
Brooklyn Sept 30 71

Dear Harriet:-

Why the
dence don't you write
me. You are the worst
correspondent I ever had.
Glad to see Emma Cusab-
dado coming out so &
justifying our report, of
last winter.

What about Camp-
Floyd. Last I heard it
was bonded for \$128,000. 3
months & the prospecting
did not look so encouraging.
Has it improved? What is
it worth aside from the
bond, if party don't take
it. Am delayed getting
my book's perfect & a
few more matters I

have to attend to before leaving.

Have you made any money on Utah matters since I left? Have you got anything now you want help for operation in.

How is Mrs. A. My D. sends her regards. I would add mine. If I don't think you would be jealous.

Hast-

W. D. Jones

Palisade Oct 2nd /91

Ever Heart, Ery.

Friend Heart.

Phony Boyde and I will go out to the mine this evening and will be in here day after tomorrow morning. If you arrive here while we are out there please wait until we get back. We will probably want to make some arrangement in regard to the mine and would like to have you here.

Yours Truly,
John W. Wilson

Phil^a Oct 20. 1871.

Messrs Solomon Heydenfeldt.. George Hearst.. and
R. H. Lloyd.
San Francisco California.

Dear Sirs

This is to inform
you that under the option of purchase of
five sixteenths (being 500 - feet) Five hundred
Feet.. of the Glacier Mine situate on
Treasure Hill White Pine County Nevada,
granted by you to J. M. Crawford, the
purchase of said interest in the Glacier
Mine will be made and completed by
the assignees of your Bond or agreement,
in accordance with the terms of the
agreement.

Very Respectly Yours -
J. L. Carnaghan -

and not being inclined
to spend any more money
upon the property, I shall
notify W. Raper that the
signers of the Bond are
released from their obliga-
tion to me under it.

I am very sorry that I
have been compelled to
retract here in London
all that I had written
about the "Kinsey".

The party who examined
these claims is trustworthy &
reliable, is an old miner &
expert, and I am informed
has made several Reports for
Mr. G. Ralston - Bank of Cal^a.

Regretting the facts, and hoping to
meet you at some future time,
I am, yours truly, R. C. Rusk

London England
October 26th /71

Geo. H. Raper Esq.
Dear Sir:

Since my
arrival here, I received
a Report on the "Kinsey"
& "Ratter" mines, from
an old and competent
miner, so remarkable
in its character, that
I have reversed all of my
movements in relation
to placing those "claims"
on the market. Accor-

- doing to his statements
the whole thing appears
to have been a huge
joke perpetrated upon
me by the owners. It
is unnecessary to trouble
you with the details
(which I shall send to Mr. Rogers in full)
of this Report, but will
simply say that it
asserts emphatically
that the "Times" and
"Rattler" are perfectly
worthless. I sent the
party to examine the
claims before I left
Salt Lake to go to Hamil-

- ton, Nevada, to see Rogers
& Hunt. It was my
intention to go down
to the mine myself
from there, but was in-
formed the developments
had not sufficiently pro-
gressed to enable me to
see much! That state-
ment determined me not
to make the trip to Leu-
-pinto, but to rely upon
the Report referred to for
facts that should deter-
-mine my action.

The Report was made
at a heavy expense;

Drytown Nov 20 1871
George H. Hunt Esq

Dr Sir

I paid
your taxes on the Logans Mill &c,
amounting to

Dollars Saturday as after
to day 15 per cent cuts will be added
Clark said he had no money
to pay them with which looks
strange to me as he has been
selling of considerable plunder
from the Logans such as copper
plates lumber Horseshoe peels cans
wood &c for the last year if
he has not paid over anything
to you - you had better send me
power ^{an order} to settle up with him for you
as he is slightly tricky

Yours Truly

Wm H. Cooper

Mr J. W. Pease

Dyer

I have concluded to
take the price you offered
viz 15000 dollars I shall
be down again next
Wednesday

Yours truly

W. L. Cooper

San Francisco

Dec 16 1864

71
Nevada City Dec 22

George Hurst

Friend George I take
the liberty to write to you
and ask a favour of you
I want you to see what I can
get a Portable Engine in
San Francisco for I want
one all compleat with
hoisting gear and all and
four inch pump or a six
inch pump I have a
Ledge that will average
seven inches thick and
pays thirty Dollars per ton
we have worked the Ledge
one hundred feet deep on
the Incline the rock pays
best on the bottom we have
sunk twenty three feet deep
on the Incline and over.

Ledge increases in size and in
richness the rock will pay
fifty Dollars per ton. So
far as we have gone in the
boon level we are all short
of cash now and want to
get machinery on as cheap
as possible and you can do
me grate good granting
me this request

If you think you could sell
this ledge down then I would
like for you to do so
we will take twelve thousand
Dollars for the Mine

let me hear from you
soon and oblige your friend

W. C. Bradley

2:25

MINING CORRESPONDENCE

1872

72/204
C

Winnemucca Jan 4. 42
Friend Spaulding,

I rec^d your
letter a few days since,
There has been another
party here, who want to
to Bond the mines for
three months, - I am
not much on the band,
I would rather sell for
cash and take left,

You say Mr. Hirst
is coming down, I would
be pleased to see him, I
have no doubt, but the
mines & price, would
suit him.

If he comes, I would
like for him to send
me a dispatch one
day before he leaves
there. in care of
Joe. Legron. - So
I could meet him
at the Depot.

Yours,
S. Kunkel

P. S.
Direct - in
Care Joe Legron

Napa city Feb 3/72

Mr Gary Keirst

Sir

I wish you to come up soon I have a
Barnace up & Works, & I think silver is
now running came & see for your self,
P. S. are over 200 tons up

The Phoenix mine is an Esmeralda
over 3000 tons are out a new 30 ton fur
nice running cost 25,000 you can
make a fortune out of it by handling
it, get Lloyd Lewis, he is the man, this mine
will sell for more than the Redington
& is worth 3 of them, this is worth your
immediate attention, yours
L Pers Blake

Bullion City Utah Ter
Feb 3rd 72

Geo Hearst
San Francisco, Cal

Dear Sir

The parties here owning
in the "Alaska" lead desired me to
write you as to your intentions in
regard to same. You hold one thousand
feet and the entire claim is two
thousand four hundred. Your agent
at Salt Lake has the copy of location.
If you see fit to send me an amount
of money to expend towards develop-
ment I will see that it is properly
expended and that the other parties
interested do their share towards it
or if you will send me deeds for
four hundred feet will work on it
enough to hold it and to sink it some
distance besides. Or if you do not
wish to have anything further to do
in regard to it, will try to make it
even if you will send me deeds for
what you hold. The rock from three
assays (cropping of course) goes about

right dolls. Please inform me as to
your intentions at your earliest con-
venience as the property is liable to be
dumped.

I am Sir

Very Respectfully

Bullion City, G F Raulston
Print Co
Utah Ter

San Francisco.

Feb'y 9/72.

George Hearst, Esq.

Dear Sir:—

A claim against the
"Nevada Route Mining Company"—whereof
you are a stockholder—has been placed
in my possession for collection.

By calling to my office and paying
your pro rata of the debts and liability of
the company, to be applied to the payment
of said claim, you may avoid costs of
suit, and will oblige, very respectfully, etc,
Chittenden

Dr Sir
Fair Mail bring
Let me a letter from A. O. Neil of date 15th
Feby 1872 enclosing a Check for \$100⁰⁰
In acknowledging its receipt I per chance
committed myself to a certain extent & perhaps
not your answer to this will determine -
If the letter was written at your instance
or its contents fully known to you &
by you approved of then all is well
but if it is wholly the production
of Mr. O'Neil & without your knowledge
then I will return him his money -

I desire no middle man between
my mine & a purchaser. My object
in wishing to associate you with me
in my prospecting enterprise was the
knowledge I had of your ability to buy &
pay for such mining property as I might
possibly find if you so desired &
if having an interest would be an
incentive for you to examine it -

I did not ask for money. That was
provided by Mr. O'Neil & I suppose
with your knowledge as he used the
plural ~~you~~ when speaking of the money

Samuel Mendel send me money from
write to his arrival at that place -
disapp. dianna to his instructions went
you & timber Peak N.E. 20 ^{miles} to your mine
"measures" until ledge - also to the place
over a spoke of & put in 3 weeks
having ending in the vicinity of Delart
you had dozen locations of ledges of low grade
The entire day I could find - I am
if this one & also to you before leaving
- now you not having from either of
come to the 4th of May. I left for the
the present ~~in the north of the~~

which I returned to this place &
He promised O'Neil that I had been
Eureka ~~in~~ in having from both
him - also - that I was in need of the
from belief of life & to send me money
some time from the post & still not
standing from him I concluded that
time passed changed your mind & abandoned
made half a price now I submit to you
on the one is not the natural conclusion
to Mr O'Neil or any other man would have
the Peak. But after I had without
your own assistance of Mr O'Neil

he has been very negligent on the
sides to come a little sharp point
- by having him accept his \$100 -
Thereby claiming an interest in
property of value - Now to the
point I wish to make - If this
letter of Feb 15th is yours & one as
Mr O'Neil I want to know it at
once - if you - I wish you to come
to this place during the early spring
I have located many mines that
look very encouraging & I want
you to determine & have the knowledge
to ~~decide~~ this still at your
earliest convenience as I do
not wish to detain Mr O'Neil
money if it is his - I shall
not in this letter say more of my
mines but after knowing
from you will if you wish it
give you a written & further
description of the work as
also my mines.

Very truly
Yours to
Sam Martin

Samuel Mend to send me money from
wrote to his arrival at that place -
disappoindance to his instructions went
you & timber Peak & 20 ^{miles} to your mine
measures with ledges - also to the plan
over a spoke of & put in 3 weeks
having ending in the vicinity of Selkirk
you had dozen locations of ledges of low grade
The entire day I could find - I wrote
if this one & also to you before leaving
- on your not having from either of
come to the 4th of May. I left for the
the present morning - on the 10th of the

month I returned to this place &
He promised Mr O'Neil that I had been
Eureka & went in having from both
I was then - that I was in need of the
from Selkirk of life & to send me money
some time from the post & still not
Stonbury from him I concluded that
time passed & changed your mind & abandoned
made half a price now I submit to you
on the one is not the natural conclusion
to Mr O'Neil or any other man would have
the Peak - But after I had without
your assistance of Mr O'Neil
18th

he has been very negligent on the
sinks to come a little sharp price
- by having him accept his \$100 -
Thereby claiming an interest in
property of value - Now to the
point I wish to make - If this
letter of July 15th is yours & one as
Mr O'Neil I want to know it at
once - if you - I wish you to come
to this place during the early spring
I have located many mines that
look very encouraging & I want
you to see them & have the kindness
to answer this letter at your
earliest convenience as I do
not wish to detain Mr O'Neil
money if it is his - I shall
not in this letter say more of my
mines but after knowing
from you will if you wish it
give you a minute & further
description of the work as
also my mines.

Very truly
Yours to
Sam Martin

P.S. Since writing this letter I have
met with Mr. Higgs of Gold Mountain
by whom I sent - I hope you will
see him - He is the partner of
Robt Stewart & Tom Shaw -

I will write to Mr O'Neil by
mail
Yours & -
J. M.

San Francisco Feb 22/1842

Geo. Hearst Esq

Dear Sir

you will please inform me if you
intend coming to this City soon
or not you are one of the Trustees
of the Minnesota Mining Co
and there is no Iron here and
one is needed. please answer
and oblige yours

Respectfully
J. W. Grayson

Meadows March 23rd 1872

Dear Col.

Your letter of Feb. 21st reached
here yesterday if it had reached in
reasonable time I should not have asked
you for money for this letter explains
it all, the boys behaved well the
Chinamen wood getters did better than I
expected. I sent off a dispatch yesterday
giving you the depth & what I thought
of doing. three or four feet more will
take us down one hundred feet below
the high water mark in the shaft
or one hundred and five feet below
the level of the flat and between 33 &
35 feet below the great body of the
water ~~and~~ we have to pump. I think
we are far enough below the water
to ~~can~~ ^{can} ~~not~~ ^{not} with safety & as I said
before with ordinary luck we shall
be able to test the channel from that
level. I don't like to let the water
down any lower and we have got on
all the suction we have got so as to

give us a chance at the valves before
the water raises on us. Last week a
shot was put off that sent the nozzle
flying a piece of rope was soaked up
and got around the clack before we found
out what was the matter the water ran as
out & we had to raise the pump through
the roof. It gave us a good chance to
put in new leathers on the clacks which
were wanted badly as the upper clack
was gone entirely. The buckets we can
get them renewed without any trouble
I have one hundred cords of wood on hand
all paid for the men's wages for February
also. The wages for this month will
amt. to \$1800 - and the outside bills
are light with the exception of the
powder bill that is heavy. I have not
paid any of the store bills yet the \$2500 -
you sent me has gone for wood & wages
The weather is very fine the snow
settling fast. The ice is falling in
on Wm Creek the willows are budding
& so is Mrs. H.

Yours Truly
Robt H Brown

Ophir East Canon

April 25th 1872

George Hearst Esq.
Dear Sir

I returned day before
yesterday from a visit to the Black Crook
Mine they have not done much work since
my first visit, they have started an incline
across the ledge and have run it about 14 ft
no sign of the hanging wall yet the ore all the
way shows a trace of silver, from three samples
taken from the mine I got the following results
No 1 from a piece taken from the Rock of
Tunnel \$175.93, there is a very small bunch of
this kind of Ore, from a good piece taken from
dump \$61.26, this kind of Ore is scarce, from
Ore taken from end of incline \$42.60, plenty of
this kind, I think there is a sho for a good mine
and will watch it close, and keep you posted
Only Brought me four samples from Dry
Canon yesterday which assayed as follows

No 1 from Mono Mine	82 per cent Lead	\$194 ⁷⁵	Silver
" 2	80 " "	175 ⁸³	"
" 3	86 " "	149 ¹⁹	"
" 1 Magnolia Mine	61 " "	72 ³⁶	"

I think the above Assays are over an average of the Mines however I think there is a chance to get some good Locations in dry canon I will go over with Daly in a few days and take another look at the prospect. Daly has made some Locations for you but the snow is so deep that it is hard to tel where to set the stakes the snow is going of very fast and I think if you can be here in about two weeks the snow will be gon so that you can get round in good shape keep me posted as to your whereabouts

Yours Truly
Lethrop Dunn

P.S. the Ore from Dry Canon was fine grained
cubic galena
L Dunn

C. J. P. Right

C. J. P. Right
Major J. M. Stoshing

1000
000
001
001
002
001

917 Pacific St
Carney
Hoskullies

Herrellies

Satt Lake June 3rd 1872

S. Hemmaway Esq

Dear Sir

I have found a piece of property a description of which I enclose that I think can be manipulated in San Francisco. The property as you will see by the description is very near the Rail Road and has a good road to the mine and has plenty of water to run mill. Wood to run the mill would have to be hauled twelve miles. The owners ask one hundred and twentyfive thousand (\$125,000) dollars for the property. Sixtyfive thousand (\$65,000) dollars cash and the balance in stock at "bedrock" prices, and mine not to be incorporated for more than three millions. If it is

their amount of stock would have to be increased proportionately. If they can get Twenty thousand (\$20,000) by the 1st of July they will wait sixty or ninety days for the balance and put their stock in a pool for a definite length of time so that the company will be able to manipulate the stock to their best advantage. The title to the mine and land and water is perfect. I have not seen the property myself but I have no doubt it is correctly represented as they desire me to go and see it - and then get it - put on the S. F. market. I thought it best to send you a description of the property first and if anything could be done with it - I would then get Mr R. L. Chambers, a friend of Messrs Haggren and Hunt, to examine it - before doing anything. It is estimated by competent men

that the ore will average \$80 per ton. The estimates of the quantity of ore in sight is also made by competent men. The prices given are in gold of course. If the property is what it is represented to be (of which I have no doubt) it - seems to me it - ought to be handled easily. Upon inquiry if anything can be done with it - please telegraph me, so that I need not keep the parties here waiting. The amounts named are what the owners are to have, and our portion would have to come with the parties in incorporating. Hoping to hear from you soon. I am

Very Respectfully
R. G. Anderson

608 Cal. St. - Frisco
July 9th 1872

Well George

I have been

waiting for some days for a
letter from you, but no letter
yet. As I leave in the morning
for Ligon Pt. to inspect our
new mill which is just being
completed & may be absent
for some days I take this oc-
casion to write a word to
you. As to our own affairs, &c
I can say but little more than
that they are going well & have
some pretty heavy sales under
way, which I hope to consummate
& thereby make our money matters
more easy this year than last
year - in fact I must sell some-
thing as I have done little else

than pay out money for a year
or so & am consequently dand
hand up - yet we have a very
bright look ahead I think
as we have had plenty of rain
& everyone feels well & there is more
sowing for land than has been
for the past two years - As
for stocks I can only say that
we are in the midst of the
greatest excitement & exuber-
ance in this city - What it
will end in no one can tell yet
I feel that it will be followed
by a damning equally great though
I hope not of here on this
subject I will say that I want
you to write me & tell what
you think of Brother Con Thorn
Especially Adams Bill Con
The latter has just made it of
once in this market & is very

privately for about 10 or 12 years
have some of our intimate
friends are in such as Bain
& Pollard or Holland &c & I
would like to know something
of it & its future prospects
also about the other named
mines. Also your opinion
in general of such a des-
trict if it is not asking too
much of you for a long time
that you can give me a point
upon which it will do well
I know parties who will put
coin in my hands for the pur-
pose & allow me to make some-
thing which would be a good
sell about this time

Our new mill
will probably start Monday
next & I think we will make
some coin there but of course
not very rapidly - Yours &c
J. H. Pearson

as above stated for mill stock besides I put
 into the Consolidation of factory at Oak Grove
 Point & the Pacific wood (only one \$40000
 worth) bills receivable that are given
 about \$50,000 at least and much miscel-
 laneous property say about \$20,000 at least
 with the total liability of the mortgagee
 as above stated - I should not have bought
 the mill stock but we had much trouble in
 the Company all the time as the stock was so nearly
 held by two factions bitterly opposed to each other
 & my health was too poor to get into a better light
 for I know the stock is much better property than
 city property which is so dead now that nothing
 can be done with it - if my health should improve
 we will be able to run out a large percentage of
 our land in the early the coming season for now
 have application for eight to ten thousand acres
 already which have come in during the past week
 & other applications been forwarded to me, but
 I have done all business unless I get better - I am
 tired will close before you will write me soon
 as good by better as I should so much like it.

Yours affectionately
 J. W. Pearson

P.S. I am not buying
 the Baylin mine & I am
 went off all right and
 are working it along with
 with capital prospects
 I had more difficulty with
 walking & have not written
 with my jet, P.

Thaggs Springs
 Sept 7 1872
 Geo. C. Ernst Esq
 Salt Lake City

Well old friend
 you will see by the heading of this that I am
 not at my old post in the city & hard at work
 as usual with me; but am at the above nam-
 ed Springs the most desolate & dreary place I
 have attempted to stay at for many a day. yet I
 am compelled to endure it as it is a case of
 necessity - I have been getting worse for the
 past six months with ulceration in the lower
 bowels in so much that I am 16th last I could
 attend to no business & Dr. Hall and Dr. Buckley
 sent me to Silver Springs where I only got worse
 upon which they sent me here where I have been
 ever since without any perceptible improvement
 in fact I feel worse today than at any time since
 my arrival here - I am much discouraged &
 though our business is in good shape I must

it cannot go on long as it is but must have the
attention of some one interested - & should it
not get better soon you ought to come home
let us close up matters - I am sorry we
did not do so when you were here last - yet
you cannot blame me for I urged it all
the time feeling that the chances were against
my recovery from what the doctors told
me - I concentrated all our business - borrowed
\$84,000 at one part in month took up
\$20,000 of train & Pullman indebtedness & took
as security therefor & for some of their property
I have endorsed three thousand acres of re-
claimed swamp land & six thousand acres
of land on the R.R. in Fresno County - all
worth about \$50,000 so we are all right
then except we are out the money that I bor-
rowed for them for the present - I took the bal-
ance of the money & paid the \$12,000 borrowed by
Hend on the purchase & the \$28,000 borrowed
by Barnhart on the purchase from him I then
bought \$27,500 worth of Pacific Southern & Mill Com-
pany stock 600 shares at East San Francisco for them in City
property in Oakland & then loaned the Company

to avoid further assessments \$120,000 of the
\$84,000 borrowed leaving a balance of \$8,000 for
which I bought a house & lot in Oakland to live
it at \$3,000 & 360 acres of lumber land that we
much needed as it was near our mill in San-
Mateo County - so far are my object in borrow-
ing so much money - we now own considerable own-
half the entire stock of the Concern share out \$10,000
in it and it is at last going well with good prospects
for many years even ahead - we ship from
the 100,000 feet of lumber for week share 50,000
feet on hand at the mill yet we have not been
shipping long enough to make us easy for many
good will here say that we shipped you 2,000
boards & \$1,500 feet of lumber the first
shipped to me with paid the freight on it but
would not pay for the stuff & the Company has annoy-
ed me very much about it because I gave the order
to please authorize Hagg in to pay for it - If in
the month the stock will pay a monthly dividend
To sum up what we have on hand
is about as follows 50,000 acres of land \$10,000
worth of mill company stock \$20,000 worth of City
property for me & I traded off considerable lately

what day you will meet me
 at Salt Lake City & I will come
 out to meet you.
 I understand the new
 law under which the mining
 & diamond locations can be
 taken up. Will have some certified
 copies with me. I fear your new
 Co's for want of knowledge of the
 law, not yet published will make
 some mistakes. All this is confidential.
 If you are interested in the
 old Company or honorably bound
 with the Gent, telegraph me that
 fact & we will ~~drop~~ drop the
 diamond portion of it. If you are
 not however, I am besieged by
 gentlemen of means here, & associat-
 myself with some California gentleman

If otherwise I will be glad to
 be present on my way to Salt Lake City
 & will be glad to see you at any time

Confidential

No 4442 Pacific St
 Corner of Lewis St
 Brooklyn N.Y.
 Aug 12 1892

George Heard.

My dear fellow:-

Got
 a telegram from you three weeks
 ago saying you would try to get
 mine - I would attend to horse &
 & would write. Not a word have I
 heard since. You are a very bad
 correspondent. I don't think I
 have ever got a word from you
 direct.

Enclosed is a letter I have
 received from England about
 mine. You will see that my corres-
 pondent, thanks to Emma Mining
 Co's difficulties have ruined the
 market for the present. I have

& what day you will meet me
 at Salt Lake City & I will come
 out & meet you.
 I understand the new
 law under which the mining
 & diamond locations can be
 taken up. Will have some certified
 copies with me. I fear your new
 Co's for want of knowledge of the
 law, not yet published will make
 some mistakes. All this is confiden-
 tial. If you are interested in the
 old Company or honorably bound
 with the Genl, telegraph me that
 fact & you will ~~drop~~ drop the
 diamond portion of it. If you are
 not however, I am besieged by
 gentlemen of means here, & associated
 myself with some California gentleman

If superior service is to be given
 to prospectors on any day of the year
 & to all who desire to see the
 old Company or honorably bound
 with the Genl, telegraph me that
 fact & you will drop the
 diamond portion of it. If you are
 not however, I am besieged by
 gentlemen of means here, & associated
 myself with some California gentleman

Confidential

No 4412 Pacific St
 Corner of Avenue St
 Brooklyn N.Y.
 Aug 12 1892

George Hearst.

My dear fellow.-

Got
 a telegram from you three weeks
 ago saying you would be right
 home - I would attend to horse &
 & wine work. Not a word have I
 heard since. You are a very bad
 correspondent. I don't think I
 have ever got a word from you
 direct.

Enclosed is a letter I have
 received from England about
 mine. You will see that my corres-
 pondent, thanks to Emma Mining
 Co's difficulties have ruined the
 market for the present. I have

written him that I thought we
could get a mine without paying
anything down, by taking a
four months bond & that when I
came over, provided you could
find such a mine as we wanted
& could get a bond on it, I
would bring it over, anyway, in
hope that the Emma matter would
blow over, by that time.

My idea is that you can
get a bond of four months
if you can find the mine we
want & that I can still sell
it, provided you can say to
me it is really a good one,
& I can talk it up on honor.

Are you in the Diamond
enterprise. If not, as I see
the whole thing is open to the
public now & expeditions & Company
are starting all around you,
I think provided we could get

hold under the new law of some
territory, I could sell a number
of locations in England. I knew
of Mr Lents enterprise months
ago, before I went to England,
but I was in honor bound not
to mention it & therefore did not
do so, even to you or any one ~~else~~
else.

I have however the English
connections now, to handle
anything which is good & if
you will or can honorably
meet me at Salt Lake City
I should like to have a talk
with you & to think we could
arrange, between one or two
mines or some diamond locations
to make a large amount of
money this fall.

Telegraph me in receipt
of this two days in succession
at above address saying whether

OFFICE OF

Silber Sprout Mining Company,

206 Front Street,
318 California Street.

San Francisco, Aug 14 1872

Geo. Hearst Esq

Dear Sir,

Father is about ready now, to show the mines in Inyo Co. He will be at Independence for about one month yet, this summer. Don't fail to go there now, as you promised. We have spent considerable money this year & last, for the purpose of showing you these mines.

Yours truly,
Over D. B. Vangaard

Independence Inyo
County Cal^a is where
Father will meet
you, any time within
a month from now.
J B M

Pioche August 16/82

Friend Heart

I have been wondering what kept you so long but heard this evening you were sick I hope you are well by this time. I have got my eye on a location here that I think will suit you. I am anxiously expecting you there are a number of that are speculators coming & going all the time and trying to corner everything but I tell the boys to hold on that I expect you by every stage I have got my witnesses all ready to prove to Bowery or I cannot get any satisfaction unless you come Telegraph me on receipt of this yours Truly John Cahill

137 Montgomery -

San Francisco

Sept 2d 1872.

George Hearst Esq
Salt Lake

My Dear Sir

I have been hoping your return to this place that I might interest you in a valuable gold claim which Mr Caleb Dorsey & I have developed & opened, north of the Baxter claim which you examined, & which Bourne, Pearson & others bought upon your recommendation. I have laid bare the Ledge in the claim adjoining for a hundred feet, the ledge is well defined, three feet on top, the quartz indiscriminately taken from the surface, assays \$93.43. Every one says this is the best claim ever discovered in the neighborhood, & we are confident it will pay from the start. Knowing you, having perfect confidence in your honor, & ability, Mr Dorsey & I would like you to join us in opening this mine. There is a ten stamp mill which can easily be put in order. See the outlay will be the twisting works. We feel convinced that your examination of this mine would induce you at once to unite with us. And I add that what ever you may spend, you shall have returned to you

out of the proceeds of the mine, before Mr
Dorsey, & I receive one cent; If you will unite
with us, you shall have one third of the
claim. - We have a perfect title for
1500 feet.

If convenient, I will be glad to hear
from you.

Very Truly
your Friend

Thos N Wells

I think our Friend Greathouse would unite
with us.

When will you return to this city.

DESERET TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

This Message is received under and subject to the Rules and Regulations of the Company.

BLANK No. 1.

A. MILTON MUSSER, Supt.,
SALT LAKE CITY.

No.
From Evanston 10 Oct 1872

RECEIVED AT SALT LAKE OFFICE, NEXT DOOR TO WELLS, FARGO & CO.

To W. S. Keyes
Care Geo Hearst.
Townsend House

Can you advise Winnemaccca
trade if so will join you
Henry Janin
10/20

Connecting lines to Eastern and Western States, Europe, and
all points in Utah, including Cottonwood, and Tintic Mines,
also with Pioche, Nevada.

DESERET TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

This Message is received under and subject to the Rules and Regulations of the Company.

BLANK No. 1.

MILTON MUSSER, Supt.,
SALT LAKE CITY.

No.
From Humboldt Oct 11 1872

RECEIVED AT SALT LAKE OFFICE, NEXT DOOR TO WELLS, FARGO & CO.

To Geo Hearst

But boys and Dodge
insist upon my going to
San Francisco first will
leave there Monday If
Everything satisfactory I must
have time for

Examination
Henry Janin
25 paid

Connecting lines to Eastern and Western States, Europe, and
all points in Utah, including Cottonwood, and Tintic Mines, also
with Pioche, Nevada.

DESERET TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

This Message is received under and subject to the Rules and Regulations of the Company.

BLANK No. 1.

A. MILTON MUSSER, Supt.,
SALT LAKE CITY.

16
From *Evanston* *10 Oct* *1872*

RECEIVED AT SALT LAKE OFFICE, NEXT DOOR TO WELLS, FARGO & CO.

To *W. S. Keyes*
Care Geo Hearst.
Townsend House

Can you advise Winnemucca
Trade if so will join you
Henry Janin
10/12

Connecting lines to Eastern and Western States, Europe, and all points in Utah, including Cottonwood, and Tintic Mines, also with Pioche, Nevada.

DESERET TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

This Message is received under and subject to the Rules and Regulations of the Company.

BLANK No. 1.

A. MILTON MUSSER, Supt.,
SALT LAKE CITY.

16
From *Humboldt* *Oct 11* *1872*

RECEIVED AT SALT LAKE OFFICE, NEXT DOOR TO WELLS, FARGO & CO.

To *Geo Hearst*

But boyd and Dodge
insist upon my going to
Sanfrancisco first will
leave there Monday If
Everything satisfactory I must
have ample time for
Examinations

Henry Janin
25 paid

Connecting lines to Eastern and Western States, Europe, and all points in Utah, including Cottonwood, and Tintic Mines, also with Pioche, Nevada.



Alta City, Utah, Nov 12th 1872

Prof J. E. Clayton
Sir

I visited the
Lorington this morning - The vein
at seventy feet deep looks well - is
not less than four feet wide -

I send you a fair sample taken
at that point - The vein leaves
the shaft at this point at about
an angle of sixty five - from the
horizontal - The lower twenty feet
is sunk in the foot wall

If the sample I send you has
a fair prospect of silver in it - then
the prospect is well worth the
money asked for it - At seventy
feet deep it is a large - well defined
channel of ore

Respectfully
J. M. Colbath

Sheet I have
Give my love to
Puss and Willie
Except a share your
Self J. E. Whitman

Barwin Cal Nov 18th 92
Cousin George
As requested
I write you I arrived
at Barwin all right -
found Mr Sargent
presented the note you
have me to Mr Sargent
I got employment - in
the mines almost drove
me out now I can sit
~~can sit~~ on the dump
and watch for the Ross
all the same as and
old miner I have
charge of the boarding
house I pay a cook
\$40 per month &
charge the men \$10 per

Week for board pay the
Company one dollar
per week on the man
to carry my provisions
I find this Country
as you represented
Verry Ruff it is healthy
the Doney Redeming
quality it has
Whitley is Hell and thinks
the mines will prove good
you seen the Minit
gun owned by Edger
and Company & they
want to sell me
one fourth I want to
know if you will
incorporate for us if
we will give you a share
in the mines they offer
me one fourth of Minit
gun and one fourth of
the Spring where you

get water to supply the
Camp at present ~~to~~
I can buy for
Eight hundred dollars
I would like for you
to give me your advice
if you think I can make
any thing on the trade
I will buy as yet them
on terms that I can
pay for them I will
not let the Boys
know I wrote to you
if you want to buy
the mines you will
get just as cheap as
if I was not interested
I wish you would
write soon tell me
what you think
of the Minit gun
Excuse this scribly
paper as it is the

2:26

MINING CORRESPONDENCE

1873-1876

72/204
c

2:26

MINING CORRESPONDENCE

1873-1876

72/204
c

Pullman City January 13th 1873

My Dear Harry

Your letter to me dated
Nov. 22nd 1872 was not received until last
evening, consequently I knew not where to
write you while in San Francisco. I think
when I last wrote you, the B.B. & M.
were looking well, in fact they were
looking well at that time. They were then
running along by the side of what we
then thought was a good ore seam, but
which afterward proved to be nothing but
a thin scale, and was all easily knocked
down, which of course left no ore standing.
They have been working ever since I wrote you
the same as before, drifting South on both
Mines, and have as yet found no ore.

About 10 days since they cut through
to West Hall (from face of drift) in
B.B. but found no ore. Distance
through from drift to Hall about 8
feet. No Ore in Webster in face nor
side of drift. On fact both Mines shows
up nothing of any account to day. And
it is my opinion they never will unless
they are worked differently. Both Mines are
working very hard, consequently, they make
but little headway. Which I think is all the
better for the Mines, if it is for sale. I have
been quite sick for a few days past. and feel
very little like writing. I would of liked to
have written you more favorable, but I
cannot tell a lie. I hear nothing from
Chaibus. has he gone back to his Mother
With kind regards for yourself and family
I remain Yours Truly W. Woodale

Salt Lake City Jan 21st 43
My dear Dearest

Have had all the
papers & maps ready for a long time
and have been ready to leave
for London, but have been unable
to get final report from Professor
Clayton was here some two weeks, but
I could not get him to go to the
mines. and from last account from
them. (which I enclose) don't think
it would be any use. Our only
chance to sell those mines. at
present is on former reputation,
and the sooner they are offered
the better. if you wish me to go
to London, wish you would

coming up here at once, and go
with me to see these mines and
arrange prices, terms, bond &c &c
have secured an edition on
the "Eagle Bird" and have hopes
to place it in London.

I have a property secured
up here which if you would
come up, and later find you
would take hold of, it is a
mine. No prospect. has produced
several thousand tons ore, and
of a good grade, will produce
20 tons per day. Good smelting
ore. plenty Wood & Water, better
mine than the Miller. Come and
see. Write me early, as I leave
for New York next week, and only
wait your answer.

Yours truly
H. A. Halcomb

Salt Lake City, April 28th 1843
My dear Dearest I hope as soon as your
suit is over, in Pioche, you will
make it convenient, to come to this
city, and look after the Moss mine
they are now down 400 feet and
have an immense body of ore in
sight. they have not stoped out
any ore, but have run some
levels, proving the extent of their
vein. I believe you could make

arrangement with them, to take their
mine, and stock it on very advantageous
terms. they assure me. that their
Net profit on Ore, taken from mine
last week was \$24000. it is certainly
too good property to leave alone.

Chambers writes he will be home
on the 6 inst. cannot say what he
has done, as he does not mention
his success. Want you also to see
the Livingston party. think a deal
may be yet made. Yours truly
H. Holcomb

Buel city feb 15th 1873

George Hurst Esq.
San Francisco Cal

Dear Sir

As I did not have the pleasure of forming your
acquaintance when you were out here, I write
thinking that possibly we might do some business
together if everything was understood by you. My
Partners are Mr C C Town, Mr Miller, C B Swain,
and James Campbell, when they took hold with me
they were to develop the whole Property; in place
of doing that they quit work about one year ago
and have done nothing since, and are not likely to.
I think I can buy them out for what they have invested
about \$900000 ^{net} 1/2 cash and the balance to be paid
from the proceeds of the first ore taken out.
now Sir my Proposition is this. to any Party who
will furnish me with the money to buy my Partners out
and agree to run a tunnel which I have located 800
feet they can have 4/5th of the entire Property about
12000 feet of ground in a body. the Tunnel will strike
several veins and I think will more than pay for itself.

arrangement with them, to take their
Mine, and stock it on very advantageous
terms. they assure me. that their
Net profit on Ore, taken from Mine
last week was \$24000. it is certainly
to good property to leave alone.

Chambers with he will be home
on the 6 inst. cannot say what he
has done, as he does not mention
his success. Want you also to see
the Lexington party. think a deal
may be yet made.

Yours truly
H. A. Holcomb

Buel city feb 15th 1873

George Hurst Esq.
San Francisco Cal

Dear Sir

As I did not have the pleasure of forming your
acquaintance when you were out here, I write
thinking that possibly we might do some business
together if everything was understood by you. My
Partners are Mr C. A. Town, Mr Miller, C. B. Swain,
and James Campbell, when they took hold with me
they were to develop the whole Property; in place
of doing that they quit work about one year ago
and have done nothing since, and are not likely to.
I think I can buy them out for what they have invested
about \$90000 ^{net} 1/2 cash and the balance to be paid
from the proceeds of the first are taken out.
now Sir my Proposition is this. to any Party who
will furnish me with the money to buy my Partners out
and agree to run a tunnel which I have located 800
feet they can have 4/5th of the entire Property about
12000 feet of ground in a body. the Tunnel will strike
several veins and I think will more than pay for itself.

The improvements on the Property are as follows
3 Shafts 25 feet Deep each & 80 feet each
and one tunnel 268 feet run mostly through vein matter
but to high in the Shafts are and vein matter all the way
are assays from 30 to 250 ounces per ton Silver and
from 20 to 60 per cent lead.
I will contract to run the tunnel 800 feet for
\$13000 per month or I will Superintend the work at \$200
per month.

Please give this matter your earnest attention at let
me know your views in regard to it at your earliest
convenience. but do not mention a word of it to
any of my Partners as that would spoil all.
I forgot to mention that we have two buildings
on the Property 14 x 30 each.

if you should conclude to come out here and
examine this Property let me know when you start
it is a rather unfavorable time now there being so
much snow on the ground about three feet.
Please answer at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully yours

Geo D Hendrick

As I now have the control of this Property

Nov 15/72

Dear Aunt

I recd your George
telegram last evening - Haven
gone up to day to see whether
or not there are any find-
ings or claims against the
claims we bought my Tip Top
May flower & Rayan. They
say they want to be used this
time and I have agreed to
delay a few days to give them
time to do so, as to the con-
veyance to them I shall be

particular to see that they get
nothing but the Richmond
& up top ground -

Lane is here for me to examine
his matter & I have been too busy
to do so. - He comes to me to
be a very sanguine man
rather too much so for mi-
ning operations & I feel afraid
of him & his plans -

Fris (for Wells Fargo & Co.)
is very anxious to have that
little up the Buttercup
matter & send him your note

San Francisco. Sept 25/72

My dear Heath.

I have recd your several
telegrams. The Hill matter
stands thus. Money is too tight
to buy his mine except to sell
immediately. We don't want
any more mines at any price
but we do want to get rid of
what we have. I therefore
agreed with Hill to send either
Darwin or Ashburner to
examine report on the
mine (& upon that report vote
Keys report & expect to sell the
stock) and if that report is entirely
factory

I am to pay the 50000£ to the
comm. pay Hill & Hankins
50000: in four months without
interest & take Hill's portion.

Ashburner is sick and is
going east and can't make
the examination - I am
agreed to go to Day but now
inform me that he can't
let before morning whether
he can go or not in the
mean time Hilo leaves
in the morning and I am
to telegraph him a few
whether he can go or not

Oyaka June 14th 1874

To Messrs. Hegarty and Tenap
San Francisco

Gentlemen I wish to refer you
again to the Oyaka Creek Enterprise.
This mine is a least four miles
long and will average a least 3.
hundred yards wide - but you will
have to have more ground to make
this complement. than was represented
to you in the hands. There has been
various opinions a least opening this creek
and working it. and all agree on
the most Expedient plan. that the tunnel
from the river striking five hundred
yards up the Creek. I think this tunnel
would be a detriment to working the
mine rather than a benefit. This is
strictly a Red rock floor all the way
and cutting the rock and laying in the
floor would be one half of working the
mine and laying the floor.

350. 2. 3.50 Opening the mine Tunnel as
open cut - open cut I am sure has the
most advantage and I think has several
advantages this plan would not cost more
than five thousand dollars. where as
the Tunnel 20.000 or 25.000. This is certain
by the best mine in the state. because all
the whole ore contains gold in paying I can
say. The ditch has been put in by the
Chimney and probably has not cost more
than five thousand dollars. I think you
had better form a company and open this
mine as it is very easy and rich when opened
I am sure there is no other mine in the
Territory worth dollars invested. I don't know
what you can get all the ground I have
discovered for - you need not pay any attention
to what you hear about this property in its
favor or against it. There is very few
miners here that know anything about
mining property. and I am sure those are
I don't know. I should not you have
been told the ditch would make any
company up that would make

to run it. and that the mine would not pay
run a count of the to grade the floor would
have - when I speak of the mine paying I
consider the richness of the ^{same grade} ground and the
grade compared. If you think favorable of
this I will let some competent Engineer and let him
consider every point - but I think mining
Engineers has not considered how grades get as
the mill hereafter. I am one of the claim
owners. Yours respectfully

William Booth

If you were here I could better point
out the advantages of this mine than
I can write them. There is an Eastern
company considering this mine now. I don't
know who they are but an expert of theirs has
sent them a map of the creek and ditch a
month ago.

William Booth

350. 2. 3.50 Opening the mine Tunnel as
open cut - open cut I am sure has the
most advantage and I think has several
advantages this plan would cost more
than five thousand dollars. where as
the Tunnel 20.000 or 25.000 - This is certain
by the best mine in the state because all
its whole ore contains gold in paying I can
say. The ditch has been put in by the
Chimamen and probably has cost more
than five thousand dollars. I think you
had better form a company and open this
mine as it is very easy and when opened
I am sure there will be a large profit.
There is not dollars invested. I don't know
what you can get all the ground I have
discovered for - you need not pay any attention
to what you hear about this property in its
favor or against it. There is very few
miners here that know anything about
mining properly and I am sure those out
side know less. I wonder and you have
been told the ditch would break any
company up that would undertake

to run it. and that the mine would not pay
run a count of the to grade the floor and
have - when I speak of the mine paying I
consider the richness of the ^{same grade} ground and the
grade compared - If you think favorable of
this I will let some competent Engineer and let him
consider every point - but I think mining
Engineers has not considered how grades get as
the mill hereafter - I am one of the claim
owners. Yours respectfully
William Booth

If you were here I could better point
out the advantages of this mine than
I can write them. There is an Eastern
company considering this mine here. I don't
know who they are but an expert of theirs has
sent them a map of the creek and ditch a
month ago -
William Booth

George Hearst Esq
Sir

Your Adm^l was given to Mr. Smith
you having left some in the town
of Galena so that the ^{city} could ^{command} ^{it}
to you in relation to some claims
I thought after coming from work
to day - I would drop you a few
lines; Can you handle some good
mines & advantage at present if so
what kind of mines. or One is preferred
or can be most readily disposed of
in market I have three groups of
mines - one group is copper & mine
Plenty of timber and water hand
another group 6 mines part Lead. part
Copper. part Milling One -

The group I am now working
on is several ledges - good one
mixed in character district just
Yorban Chase owned if you think

George Hearst Esq.
Sir

Your Address was given to Mr. Smith
you having left some in the town
of Galena so that she could ^{call} command
to you in relation to some claims
I thought after coming for work
to day - I would drop you a few
lines; Can you find or some good
mines & advantage at present if so
what kind of mines. or Ore is preferred
or can be most readily disposed of
in market I have three groups of
mines - one group is copper & mines
Plenty of timber and water and
another group 6 mines part lead, part
copper. part Milling Ore -

The group I am now working
on is several ledges - good one
mixed in character. Distinct. Just
formed. Please answer if you think.

will enough of an Equal Interest
for putting them in Market
I can if necessary give you the
Best of reference in San Francisco
etc if you need such

Yours Resp
J. R. Webber

P. S. Please Address
J. R. Webber

Butte Mountain
Care of P. O.

July 12th 74

OPEN ALL NIGHT.

San Francisco, Nov 17th 1874

Geo Hearst

Dear Sir "I received
a letter from my partner in Wallapa
district who writes me that he and two
others found a rich mine Chloride ore
free from ~~base~~ fine milling ore
The mine is situated in Peacock
Mountain twenty five miles from
Wallapa The mine is easy of access
Can drive a loaded Wagon to or from
the mine without the expense of making
roads they had not sunk down on the mine
when he wrote me but the rich ore shows
upon the surface for the distance of 1500 feet
If it holds as good as it goes down it is the
best thing in that or any other country there
is plenty Wood and Water within one and a
half miles of the mine Now I want you
to answer this immediately for I am
anxious to see this mine and if it is as big

and as rich as they say it is I want
us to get hold of it with a little hull
on each ore we can make all the money we
want I send you 8 assays taken from the
surface and along the entire length of
the 1500 feet I wrote the parties to hold it
until I got down the news from Wallapan
is good I want you to arrange it so one
or both of us can go down immediately
as there are other parties in there picking up
good things I showed Mr Haggan
the assays he advised me to write you
hoping to see you soon

I remain your friend,
S. M. Atchison

13 H3 13/11/1875

San Francisco March 13th 1875
Geo Hearst Esq
Dear Sir!

On making
inquiring at your office
to-day, I learned you
had not returned from
Nevada. It was my
desire to have another
interview with you
but I cannot as I will
have to leave for the
East tomorrow morning.

It would have pleased
me if I could have
made some definite
arrangement with you
before I returned. for
I am very sanguine

that you would like the
property, I am of opinion
there is not another body
of mines (out side the Comstock)
in the United States that
will be ~~some day~~ as valuable
as the Prairie Basin mines.
"Monument, The Blue. Tower.
Vias, & Home State."

I go from this place
to Chicago, will be in
Corinne Utah from the
20 of April until the 1st of
May. would be pleased
to receive a letter from
you at Corinne, with advice
as to whether you intend
to go up to see the mines,
and if so when.

Very truly
Yrs. S. Mous



OFFICE OF
WELLS, FARGO & CO'S
EXPRESS.

Battle Mtn May 23 1875

Geo. Hunt

Dear Sir

Will you please telegraph me how our old friend is getting along. Still hope to hear from you that he is better and will get well again what appears to be the matter

Evans went back to the mine again after we showed him your dispatch with the understanding that nothing further should be done until we got advice from you. He said you could arrange it with Dupuy & Byrne in San Fran and has written them to that effect. You can see them



OFFICE OF
WELLS, FARGO & CO'S
EXPRESS.

18

and fix it to your own
satisfaction. And as far
as I am concerned I am with
you as I told you and Beachy
here. And anything you do
I will agree to it if reasonable

The mine is showing
up well where they are stopping
out ore. I had an assay of a
piece of medium looking rock
which went \$1880⁰⁰ in silver and
there is tons of the same kind in
depth and in the dump.

I think there is big
money in this thing and I want
to see you make it. I think you
can double your money inside of
three months. Hoping to hear good
news from you I remain Yours truly
A. Robertson

T. T. 1.

PACIFIC DIVISION 201
OF THE
Atlantic and Pacific Telegraph Company.

The rules of this Company require that all messages received for transmission shall be written on the message blanks of the Company, under and subject to the conditions printed thereon, which conditions have been agreed to by the sender of the following message.

LELAND STANFORD, President.
R. P. HAMMOND, General Manager.

F. L. VANDENBURGH, Gen'l Supt.
San Francisco.

Received at Battle Mtn 31, 1876
J. F. Jany 31, 1876

To George Hearst
Nevada block

Pay Jasper Medansel
four hundred dollars
for Huntsman Charge
my account masters
at Lewis today when
will you be here
A Robertson
rapard 250 on

Please Answer by this Line.

Office Cascade B & Mining Company,

No. 37 & 38 NEW MERCHANT'S EXCHANGE, THIRD FLOOR,

J. M. BUFFINGTON, Secretary.

San Francisco, Sept 6 1875

CASCADE BLUE GRAVEL MINING COMPANY.
Location of principal place of business, San Francisco, California; location of works, Nevada Township, Nevada County, California. Notice is hereby given that as required by the Charter of Incorporation, the report of the directors for the year ending July 1st, 1875, together with the statement of the assets and liabilities of the company, and the statement of the cash and other monies received and paid during the year, and the statement of the profits and losses of the company, shall remain unpaid in the office of the company, at the office of the company, 311 California Street, Rooms 3 and 4, second floor, San Francisco, California, until the 1st day of August, 1876, when they shall be delivered to the stockholders at a public auction, and unless the same is made before, will be sold on the 1st day of September, 1876, to pay the dividends and expenses of sale. By order of the Board of Directors.

Geo Hearsh Esq

Dear Sir

Enclosed please find notice of ass't, which has been levied to pay Mr Knox for moneys advanced. A large number were sold out at last ass't. if all had paid we should not have levied this.

Truly Yours

J M Buffington

Office Cascade B & Mining Company,

No. 37 & 38 NEW MERCHANT'S EXCHANGE, THIRD FLOOR.

J. M. BUFFINGTON, Secretary.

San Francisco, Sept 6 1875

CASCADE BLUE GRAVEL MINING COMPANY.—
Location of principal place of business, San Francisco, California; location of works, Nevada Township, Nevada county, California.—Notice is hereby given, that at a meeting of the Board of Directors, held on the 26th day of July, 1875, an assessment (No. 3) of Ten Cents per share was levied upon the capital stock of the corporation, payable immediately in United States gold coin, to the Secretary, at the office of the Company, 311 California Street, Rooms 3 and 4, second floor, San Francisco, California.
Any stock upon which this assessment shall remain unpaid on the 25th day of August, 1875, will be delinquent, and advertised for sale at public auction, and unless payment is made before, will be sold on the thirtieth day of September, 1875, to pay the delinquent assessment, together with costs of advertising and expenses of sale. By order of the Board of Directors.
J. M. BUFFINGTON, Secretary.
Office—311 California street, second floor, Rooms 3 and 4, San Francisco, California. jy22td

Geo Hearsh Esq

Dear Sir

Enclosed please find notice of ass't, which has been levied to pay Mr Knox for moneys advanced. A large number were sold out at loss, ass't if all had paid we should not have lived this.

Truly Yours

J M Buffington

1875

Soda Creek Dec 14th
G Hunter Esq

Dear Sir

When you were here
last Summer you told me
if I would procure some
Quartz from a ledge I was
telling you about you would
assay it. by this Express I
send you a small quantity
from the lode we talked about -
the lode is 25 feet thick and
is cut by a stream running
through it - showing the same
width one foot hundred feet
below the surface the leady looking
stuff sent you compares in this

of the Ledger. There is a number of other
Lodes within half mile of this vein
I speak of. They are located about
20 miles from the town of Manson
in the Omica County. Should
you consider them worth testing
I will be glad to hear from you
on the subject. any information
you wish to know I will take pleasure
in forwarding. whatever your charges
are for assaying send ^{to me} ~~or through~~
the express as you choose hoping
for an early answer I remain

Yours Truly
R. Smiley

Larwin & Co Oct Nov

Cousin George W Scott - a share
holder in the Lowland & Eclipse Mines
wishes you to get of J. L. Childs one
thousand shares of the unassessable and
eight hundred and fifty of assessable Lowland
and Eclipse and forward the same to
W Scott. Larwin Scott refuses to give
me four hundred shares if you send the
stock to him

W Scott for

J. L. Whitman

MS

W Scott thinks Childs is
selling his (Scott's) stock and wishes
you to see to it immediately

Larwin & Co Oct Nov 17th 1876
Mr J. L. Childs
Please deliver to
George Hearst
1000 one thousand shares
of Lowland & Eclipse unassessable & 850
Eight hundred and fifty of assessable
and oblige W Scott

2:27

MINING CORRESPONDENCE

1877-1888

72/
204
c



San Luis Obispo, Feb. 15th 1877

Mr. Geo Hearst

Dear Sir

I have in my power, a power of Attorney to act in the sale of the intrest of Jose Pice my brother and I would say to you, in case that you should want to purchase, that intrest, as it is for sale, and you are the only interested party and owner of that ranch, should you favor me with an answer, immediately, and tell me wheather you wish it. I shall act on the sale, because, my brother wants to go to Sonora and says to me, to sell it as quick as I can, you told me some time ago to let you know, whenever they would like sell therefore I let you know, as the land will be sold perhap to a party of Swiss men

tell me what you are willing to pay per acre
you highest price, and I shall see your
agent or I shall telegraph right away
as the land shall be sold and remain

Yours very truly,
Genobis A. Rice

Virginia City Feby. 18th 1877
Mr Geo. Hearst

San Francisco

Dear Sir

Your favor of Feby 14th came to
hand in due season. You say you have made
arrangements with Mr Shultz for me to examine
the Bullion Mine at any and all times and that
he would write me to that effect & (which up
to this date he has not done) for the exclusive
benefit of Mr Shultz and yourself. which is all
right and satisfactory. but upon turning over
the sheet I see in pencil in the hand write
of J. W. Pearson these words. answer J. W. Pearson
Care C. F. Hall & Co. Hearst. Now Friend Hearst
this part of the letter I do not understand. in as much
as I do not care to open a correspondence with either
of those gentlemen. therefore you will please explain
on receipt of this what is meant and what you
wish me to do. if you and Mr Shultz desire me
to visit that mine and examine it from day to day
as I may think it necessary in order to report intelligently
and to report to you and him only I would be pleased
to do so. if you will carry me some stock in the mine
to pay me for my services that being the only way I could

expect to get paid for my time & trouble. our business
arrangements here being such as to effectually bar me
from taking ~~any~~ advantage of anything that I
might see in the mine to buy stock on my
own account. Now friend Geo. Having time and
great confidence in the future value of that mine
an arrangement that would enable me to watch
developments there with some stock to make me
interested would suit me very well and I will
pledge my word to post no outsiders.

please answer this at once if you wish to
make any arrangement stating what you will do
and how you will do it &c. I think very impor-
tant developments will be made there soon. as I
understand work will be resumed in the crop cuts
tomorrow. nothing or at least very little having
been done in the mine since the water was tapped
on the 1600 ft. level. I am inclined to think from
moves all along the line that the next three months
will be very prosperous and numerous chances offer
where money can be made with comparative safety
hoping to hear from you soon I am Sir
Very Truly yours
W. H. Clarke

H. G. ROLLINS,
U. S. SURVEYOR-GENERAL.

J. A. ROBINSON,
CHIEF CLERK.



306 PINE STREET, (UP STAIRS,)

Official letters, etc., pertaining to the business of the office, should be addressed to the "U. S. Surveyor-General's Office, Post Office Box No. 2260."
Be particular to describe the land you write about, by Section or parts of Section, Township and Range.

San Francisco,

April 6th 1877

George Hearst Esq,
San Francisco,

Sir:

This office has received instructions from the Hon Com. Gen Land office Washington, dated March 27th 1877. ordering a new survey of the "Loyal Lead Quartz Mine" claimed by you;

Very Respectfully,
H. G. Rollins

U. S. Sur General.

Galena July Aug 13. 1877
Friendly thrust Davis
I now drop you a few lines
in regard to the mine in
Galena I have relocated
they claim it they want
they are gaining south of the
claim that New York Co
that had then failed to comply
with the laws and I have
located them I was here when
you tried to get half of the
mine south of Galena now if
you want a chance in them
you can get them right they
is but two of us men and
they have side of the mountain
all the that you wanted to
By when you was here come
and make us a offer we
are not able to do any thing
with them and will give you

A chance to Bi them if
you will help us out with them
if you want to get hold of
that mine you can do better now
than you ever any time before
Come and look at them and
make me a offer for them
and I will give more for you
on them than claims east of
them can be bought very low now
they white and chile mine is
running in full blast
Please let me know what you
think of it
Yours with respect
A Boyer

Anadar City July 21st 1877

Mr G Herist

Dear Sir I think
I have found a Good Witness of
for you, Thomas Ryan he lives
in Anadar City you can
send some one to find
out what he knows

Yours
G L Thomas

P.S. I am working at Treglons
the Fairbairn mine

Wrote to
Comm. Genl. Land
Office asking him
to grant leave without pay
1015-Ho S.C. N.W.
Dec. 13. 1887

Sen. Hearst,

Sir,

~~91~~
91

I am suffering so much
with my eye that it will
be impossible for me to
go out after dark this eve-
ning, so if I do not see
you in the Dept. Wed. I
hope to be able to get to
your house about 5 o'clock
in the evening. I am at
my desk during the day.

Respectfully
Ada C. Lammond

1015-Ho S.C. N.W.
Dec. 12. 1887

Sen. Hearst,

Sir,

96

If you are in the
Dept. on Tues. I will be
obliged if you will see
me. Room 38, Land Office.
Should you not see me
I will call at your house
Tues. P.M. between 5 and
6 o'clock.

Respectfully
Ada C. Lammond

We call the name
La Monde.

Parker Mining Company.

P.O. BOX 283.

Relating to

Haley, Idaho

36.

has been absent.
Parker Mining Company.

P.O. BOX 283.

Relating to

Aug 29/88

Mr. George Hearst

Dear Sir

I have just re-

turned from San F. While there

I tried to get a settlement with

Stump for my services as Supr. of

the Solace mine. Stump entirely

ignores me simply saying that I

have drawn all I am entitled to

which would be at the rate of \$200

per month. Now the circumstances

are these before I left for the

Solace I intended to see Mr. Haggins

and make an agreement but Stump

told me not to say anything about

it but to go to the mine and do the

best I could and that Mr. H. would

allow me more that way than any

other. Now when at work for you

and Mr. H. at a mine I never

Parker Mining Company.

P.O. BOX 283.

Relating to

Hailey, Idaho

5
36

Relating to
Parker Mining Company
P.O. BOX 283.

Aug 29/83

Mr. George Hearst

Dear Sir

I have just re-
turned from San F. While there

I tried to get a settlement with
Stump for my services as Supr. of
the Solace mine. Stump entirely

ignores me simply saying that I
have drawn all I am entitled to
which would be at the rate of \$200 =
per month. Now the circumstances

are these before I left for the
Solace I intended to see Mr. Haggins
and make an agreement but Stump

told me not to say anything about
it but to go to the mine and do the
best I could and that Mr. H. would

allow me more than any
other. Now when at work for you
and Mr. H. at a mine I never

was paid less than \$300⁰⁰ per month
excepting at the Excelsior where I
received \$200⁰⁰ but there I was
allowed my house and board for
myself and wife, servants &c.
making it more than \$300⁰⁰

In my report of the Lotaco I
was not in any way mistaken
I told Mr. H. there was nothing there
but was instructed by Mr. Casswell
to do certain work. At that
time Stump was very friendly but
after that he made such a ridiculous
proposition to me which was to allow
him (Stump) half of what I made
on the outside which I did not ac-
cept. Since that he has done all
in his power to down me. So that
today although I am one of your oldest
employees I can not get a day's
work and not even get paid for
that work I have done

Mr. Hester you know how I have stood
up for you at all times. At present
my life was threatened many times
but I remained and at all times
fought for your interests. While
looking at and examining mines for
you I never was allowed any pay
and now only ask for what is really
my due. I dislike to have any
trouble with either you or Mr. Haggins
as I like you both and believe both
of you intend to do what is square
with me. Still I need the money
and if it is not settled will have
to resort to the courts here. All I
ask is \$300⁰⁰ per month for actual
time spent at the mine. Please
see Mr. H. and write me

Yours truly

J. S. Childs

Hailu

Lotako

C. A. Low

George Hearst Esq -
Sir.

In closed
you will find a memorandum
of the names of the gentlemen
with whom you are associated
in an Expedition about to be
fitted out to discover and
locate gold and silver mines
in the State of Nevada and
Idaho Territory.

Should the
Expedition prove a success
two hundred feet will be located
in your name in each of the
mines discovered.

The discoverer
will be entitled to two hundred
feet more for making the dis-

covering. If you conclude not
to retain your ground, pay
your pro rata of the expenses
incurred in fitting out the
Expedition, opening & holding
the mine, you will be expected
to convey your interest to
the other locators gratis.

Respectfully Yours
Charles A. Low
Corresponding Secy.

Office
No. 436. California St
San Francisco.

Memorandum of Locators

J. P. Chellis. Geo. Hearst.
C. W. Kellogg. E. F. Williams
A. W. Colman. W. W. Dodge
F. F. Low. John L. Bray.
C. L. Low.
C. A. Low.
Wm Sherman.
G. K. Porter.
James Dows.
A. W. Lissow
A. E. Heady.
Wm Goddington
Capt. C. M. Baxter.
Alpheus Bull.
John O. Earl.
E. F. Northman
G. W. Prescott.
Chas. Stoutenborough
Wm A Aldrich
Thomas Sunderland,
M. J. Mc Donald.

McHillger

My dear Sir
Yours &c
W. J. Hillger

Saturday 10 P.M.
Dear Sir:

I understand that
you may possibly go to
Bingham Canyon tomorrow,
and I therefore prefer that
you may reach Black-Jack
Canyon. If so do not
fail to visit the French
Spr which is located about
300 yards up the Canyon
from the "Lucky Boy".

Much cannot be seen
at present, as the ledge
is not yet struck in
the tunnel, but I would
like to see the location
in order that you may
say something concerning

at to Mr. Haggan on
your return.

Mr. Monte is the
principal owner on
the ground.

Yours truly,

Smith Clark

I leave for San Francisco
on Monday.